

Anniversary Fund

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General information for reviewer of projects submitted to the Anniversary Fund of the OeNB

We kindly request that you evaluate the project online at (www.oenb.at/fonds/ga) or by sending the filled standard form (download: www.oenb.at/fonds → “information for reviewer”) to review@oenb.at.

Please fill in the project number of the proposal and your contact data first. The ranking takes three major aspects into consideration:

- **priority** (top/medium/low) of the research topic
- **scientific quality** (10-100 points)
 - based on that ranking, a **general recommendation** (eligible/revision/decline) is to be given
- **financial aspects** (adequate/excessive)

These aspects can only be ranked within the predetermined range.

You are requested to provide a short written statement to indicate the reasons for your ranking of the project in two separate fields (with a maximum of 3,800 characters each). Comments in the description field “Explanatory statement” will be forwarded anonymously to the project leader. Comments in the description field “Additional comments” will be kept confidential by the Anniversary Fund.

If your general recommendation is either to revise or to decline the proposal, it is crucial that you to exhaustively substantiate that recommendation. Some of the issues you should consider for the ranking are:

Priority of the research topic

- Is the research topic to be considered high-priority or particularly relevant in the respective scientific discipline? Could it be expected to break new ground or to promote scientific development in the near future?

Scientific quality of the submitted project

- Are the project’s goals clearly determined, is the methodology appropriate, and is the available infrastructure sufficient to achieve the formulated goals?
- What is the project’s national or international relevance?

- From an international perspective, are the participating researchers sufficiently qualified and do they have sufficient potential to carry out the project?
- Could anything be done to improve the project's chances of success? Would any cooperation beyond that already included be advantageous?

Estimated funding of the project

- What is the level of personnel and other cost (cost of equipment, supplies, travel and the like) required to implement the project?
- Is the requested funding level justified? If not, where could cuts be made without endangering the project goals?

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