

IUT Research Seed Grants (IUT RSG)

Islamic University of Technology (IUT), a subsidiary organ of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), announces the research grant for conducting research as a part of its mission to expand research culture among faculties and students. The purpose of the IUT Research Seed Grants (IUT RSG) is to offer a certain amount of funds that allow faculties of IUT for seeking advancement of their disciplinary and multidisciplinary knowledge towards contributing global sustainable development through publishing high impact factor journals in respective fields, presenting prestigious conferences and gaining experience for applying future external funding. The REASP issues the request for applications for the 2022-2023 grant cycle. Please see: **(i) IUT RSG Policy, (ii) Application Template, (iii) IUT RSG Budget Form.** Applications are due to REASP by **31 March 2022**.

Eligibility

All full-time faculty members of IUT are eligible to apply for IUT RSG. A faculty member will not entitle to apply for more than one project each year as a principal researcher and not more than one as a co-researcher. Moreover, a faculty member will not be awarded more than four projects within six years as a principal researcher. The awarded faculty member (principal researcher) must submit a final report before the award closing date and publish or get an acceptance from a Web of Science / Scopus Journals having impact factor before announcing the next IUT RSG application. Unable to accomplish either one will make him/her ineligible for applying IUT RSG in the subsequent granting cycle. Besides, full-time faculty member who is now on study leave or is planning to apply for long vacation (more than four months) during the awarding period, is not eligible for this grant.

Amount of Fund

IUT Research Seed Grant (IUT RSG) will be a maximum of \$ 3000 for one year (12 Months) to support the research project within IUT.

Duration of Fund

The project funding period is maximum 12 months.

Application Requirement

Abstract = Provide an abstract with 250 words. It includes a brief description of the proposed research work that states purpose, objectives, methodology, and outcomes (deliverables) by explaining the compelling reason (s) for undergoing this research.

Proposal = A proposal is expected to address the followings:

A. Research background including Hypothesis /Research Questions and Literature Reviews. (word limit: 1000):

Provide problem statement of the project; describe the importance of the project; present rational background and literature for justifying the proposed research;

B. Project design and Methodology (word limit: 500):

Provide sufficient detail on how to conduct this project, including - research outline, methods (experimental design, place - where it will be conducted), type of analysis, and detailed procedure along with the appropriate timeline.

C. Expected Results/Benefit (word limit: 500):

Provide expected outcomes of the project. Illustrate the benefit of the proposed project in context to IUT and OIC member states as a whole.

Team Capacity = State team members name and describe their specific roles towards accomplishing the project and demonstrate their expertise relevant to the project **(word limit: 200)**

Budget = A detailed budget (complete the IUT RSG Budget Form) should be provided, and it should not be exceeded the maximum grant amount. The budget should be accurate, clearly articulated, and well-justified.

CV = Submit the CVs of each research member of the project stating their relevant experiences (the CV should not be more than four pages).

Appendices & = Related tables, figures, reference lists should be placed as appendices, and documents linking with the projects could be attached.

Attachments Note: The appendices and attachments must be reserved to a maximum of five pages.

Evaluation Criteria

The project proposal will be evaluated by following the evaluation criteria in percentages, as outlined below:

Evaluation Criteria A (For the first-time applicant)	%
1. Project Quality (i) Project design and Methodology (10) (ii) Impact/Significance of the project (40);	50
2. Principal Researcher (Publications, Projects, Education, Relevancy (how the proposed research linked with his/her prior research expertise)	45
3. Organization of the required documents	05
Total	100

Evaluation Criteria B (For the Second time and onward)	%
1. Project Quality (i) Project design and Methodology (10) (ii) Impact/Significance of the project (30);	40
2. Principal Researcher a. (Publications, Projects, Education, Relevancy (how the proposed research linked with his/her prior research expertise)	25
3. Previous Project (IUT RSG) outcomes/performances	30
4. Organization of the required documents	05
Total	100

Closing Date:

31 March, 2022