Call for research proposals

The Paul Ivanier Center aims to advance multi-disciplinary research in the field of operations management (theoretical and applied research in various application fields such as manufacturing, service, health). This is a call for proposals in these topics for the academic year 2016-2017. A proposal should be submitted by at least two senior, full-time faculty members in Ben-Gurion University, from different disciplines/departments. Two researchers will be designated as the primary investigators (PI). The team should additionally include a graduate student jointly supervised by the two Pi's (this student can be an existing student or a student that will be later recruited for the project). The team may include additional researchers, advisors, and students.

The budget requested should not exceed 10,000$. The project duration will be until October 1st 2017. Funded projects will be required to submit a report at the end of the first project year (June 1st 2017).

Research proposals of up to 4 pages according to the format specified at the end of this document should include:

- Research title, researchers names and affiliations
- Research objectives
- Research innovation and contribution beyond the state of the art
- The list of researchers, indicating the specific contribution of each researcher, the collaboration mechanisms, and how the funding will enhance the collaboration.
- A one year research plan with a timetable, task division, and responsibilities, including the tasks of the graduate student.
- Plans to submit related proposals to other competitive funding agencies and/or specific internationally funded collaborations.
- Matching funds (matching will be required for the scholarships allocated to the graduate student).
- List of expected publications (in which journals, timeline)
- Budget details (in tabular form) and budget justification (following budget table).
- References should be added at the end of the proposal and will not be included in the proposal page count.
The proposal should be submitted in English by March 13 2016 to sigalbe@bgu.ac.il. Submission should include a single pdf file which will include the proposal, references list, and a Biosketch biographical record for each team member. Proposals will be reviewed by a scientific committee. The funded projects will be announced by May 30, 2016.

Researchers submitting proposals are not required to be members of the Paul-Ivanier center, yet, researchers are encouraged to join the center and receive notification of future endeavors and calls. Researchers of winning proposals will be expected to join the center and should acknowledge the contribution of the Paul-Ivanier center in related work: “This research was supported by the Paul Ivanier Center for Production Management, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev”.

For questions and clarifications please write to: sigalbe@bgu.ac.il

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Proposal format

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The proposal should be submitted in English. The total length of the proposal (not including references) is limited to a four A4 page. All text should be in font Times New Roman. The first page must include the title of the proposal and the name and affiliation of the researchers. Title should be 14pt size boldface type. Authors’ names should be 12pt size normal type followed by affiliations should be 10pt size. The main text should be 11pt size with spacing of 1.5 lines. Page margins 2 cm top and bottom, 3 cm left and right. A short bibliographic list may be included at the end of the document with font size 10pt and APA referencing style.