

**The Rector of VSB - Technical University of Ostrava**

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**a call within the university-wide grant competition for the support of student grants for research carried out by students of doctoral study programmes at VSB-TUO (hereinafter referred to as the Doctoral Grant Competition VSB-TUO) in scientific fields according to the Frascati manual 2015**

- Natural Sciences,
- Engineering and Technology,
- Social Sciences.

Conditions of the VSB-TUO Doctoral Grant Competition:

1. The doctoral grant competition (DGS) is announced to support scientific research projects solved by students of full-time doctoral study programmes at VSB-TUO with the scheduled start of the project from **1/3/2022**.
2. The duration of the DGS project is **12 months** and it is set for the solution time from 1/3/2022 to 28/2/2022.
3. DGS project proposals may only be submitted by applicants from among the **full-time students of doctoral study programmes at VSB-TUO**.
4. The DGS project proposal can be submitted only as a **team student grant**, when other researchers participate in the investigation under the leadership of the Principal Investigator. The research team has a maximum of 5 researchers. A researcher can be the investigator of **only one** DGS project at a time.
5. The DGS project proposal **must not be identical with the topic of the dissertation** of any of the investigators of the research team. The output of the DGS project must not be the dissertation as a whole. The doctoral student can use the outputs of the DGS project in his dissertation.
6. Applications for DGS project proposals must be drafted and submitted in **English**.
7. Applications for DGS project proposals can be submitted via the information system of the VŠB-TUO Grant Competition (<https://grantovesouteze.vsb.cz>) in the period from **1/10/2021 to 12/11/2021 by 15:00**.
8. The **evaluation criteria** for DGS project proposals are: the qualifications of the members of the research team; topicality, scientific relevance and professional level of the proposed project; level of project processing (definition of goals, conception and determination of results); suitability of the topic; degree of internationalisation and interdisciplinary cooperation; the adequacy of the project timeline (schedule) and the adequacy of funding requirements.
9. The expected date for the decision on supported student grants is set at **15/2/2022**.
10. Personnel costs will be paid to the researchers of the student grant in the form of a **scholarship**. For student grant researchers, **the amount of the total workload may not exceed 1.2 times the working time fund** of the given month, including the scholarship (for a student grant scholarship, the amount of the unit's work capacity expressed in terms of workload is included).

11. A student grant of 12 months may amount to **a maximum of CZK 958,320** (assuming the use of **the maximum working capacity of the student grant corresponding to 1.0 full-time**). The obligatory amount of work capacity of the Principal Investigator of the student grant corresponds to 0.5 of full-time. The amount of work capacity of other student grant researchers is set in the range of 0.1-0.5 full-time per person.


12. **The proposed DGS timetable** is as follows:

- announcement of the competition 1/10/2021,
- competition period 1/10/2021 – 12/11/2021,
- control of formal criteria and opponents' evaluation by 31/1/2022,
- meeting of the Expert Panel to evaluate student grants and publish the results of the competition by 15/2/2022,
- implementation of DGS projects, monthly activity reports, final activity reports by 25/2/2023,
- evaluation of the implementation of DGS by the Expert Panel by 30/4/2023.

13. Detailed information concerning the processing and submission of DGS project proposals, project evaluation, conditions for drawing, implementation and termination of a student grant are described in the **The Regulations of the Doctoral Grant Competition**, which are an integral part of this call.

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