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1 SCOPE OF APPLICATION

1.1 Scope of application

These general conditions for funding decisions by the Academy of Finland (hereafter the Academy) are applied to decisions whose funding period starts 1 October 2011 at the earliest. The conditions are applied to the following funding schemes:

- **Academy Projects**
- **Research posts as and research grants for Academy Research Fellows and Academy Professors**
- **Research posts as Postdoctoral Researcher**
- **Research programme projects**
- **Doctoral programmes**
- **Research grants for development research**
- **FiDiPro funding programme**
- **Centre of Excellence programmes**
- **Mobility to Finland and mobility from Finland**

The general conditions for Academy funding decisions apply to both the principal investigator (PI) and the site of research. If the application has been initiated by the PI and the funding recipient specified in the Academy's decision is the site of research, both the PI and the site of research are obliged to comply with these general conditions.

Besides these conditions, the Finnish Act on Discretionary Government Transfers (688/2001) shall also be adhered to in the use, payment and control of Academy funds.

1.2 Receiving and confirming funding

Applicants will receive an automatic **email** message after the funding decision has been made. After receiving this message, applicants can log in **to the online services** with their user identification, select the application on which the decision has been made and see whether the decision is favourable, and then read the conditions set for the funding.

Before Academy funds can be paid, the PI and the site of research must confirm that they will accept the funding. This confirmation must be done via the Academy's online services under "My applications" within six weeks from the decision date, unless otherwise stated in the special condition of the decision notification. By confirming that they will receive the funds, the PI and the site

of research accept the content of the funding decision as a whole and commit themselves to complying with the conditions set by the Academy for the use of the funds.

No such confirmation is needed for funding decisions concerning Centres of Excellence and the FiDiPro programme (where the funding is contractual).

2 APPLICATION OF FULL COST MODEL IN ACADEMY RESEARCH FUNDING

As a rule, the full cost model applies to the drafting, issuing and implementation of Academy research funding decisions. Any exceptions to this are mentioned separately for each funding instrument. Academy research funding is by nature a joint venture in which the funds to finance the costs of each project always come from at least two sources. When applying for Academy funding, universities, research institutes and other research organisations commit to contributing a certain percentage of the project costs.

2.1 Funding percentage

The Academy's funding contribution for a project is specified in the funding decision and comes to a maximum of 80 per cent. This funding percentage is equally applicable to all project costs, that is, to both direct and indirect costs. The overheads are indirect costs.

2.2 Exceptions

The full cost model does not apply to the cost calculation of the salaries of Academy Professors and Academy Research Fellows. In this case, the funding decisions include an overheads share of 12.5 per cent. However, the full cost model applies to research funding to be granted to persons awarded a research post as Academy Professor or Academy Research Fellow.

The full cost model does not apply to funding allocated towards the operating costs of doctoral programmes. Neither does this funding include any overheads share.

Deviations from the full cost model are possible in co-funded international calls in which the funding bodies have decided on the principles for the projects' finance administration.

The full cost model does not apply to mobility grants. Likewise, the full cost model does not apply to funding decisions based on Centre of Excellence calls implemented before 1 January 2009, or to any decisions on additional funding regarding such calls.

3 REMITTANCE OF FUNDS

Before Academy funds can be paid, the PI and the site of research must have confirmed that they will receive the funding. This confirmation must be done in the Academy's online services.

The Academy applies the payment request procedure to all organisations that receive Academy research funding. The site of research is responsible for advances and for submitting payment requests.

The Academy accepts requests for advances and payment as e-invoices. Requests for advances and payment can also be submitted via the Academy's online services.

3.1 Advances

Universities and polytechnics can request advances from the Academy. The one-off advance accounts for 10 per cent of the Academy's funding contribution. Advances are applied for and paid in that year when the project starts. For projects that have started at the beginning of the year, advances can be applied for during the first quarter and no later than 20 February. For projects that have started in the middle of the year, advances can be applied for during the last quarter and no later than 20 November.

If relevant, the Academy can send a detailed schedule for the payment of advances to the finance administrations at the sites of research. Advances can be paid when the site of research in the funding decision is a Finnish university or polytechnic. Advances are settled upon completion of a project. Advances are not paid on grants.

The minimum amount of advances paid by the Academy is 7,500 euros. Advances are paid only once during the period for which the decision is in force. No advances are paid on research infrastructure funding.

3.2 Payment requests

Payment requests shall be submitted to the Academy in four-month periods: January-April, May-August and September-December. E-invoices addressed to the Academy regarding payment requests by research projects shall be submitted by 20 May, 20 September and 20 January or by the next workday, respectively.

4 USE OF FUNDING

4.1 General principles

Research funding granted by the Academy may only be used for the purpose specified in the funding decision. Any conditions set in the decision by the Academy for the awarding of the funds must be adhered to.

Academy funding is granted as a total sum that must not be exceeded. The funding can be used only for costs that have incurred during the funding period. The PI and the site of research shall

see to that the funds are used in compliance with the funding decision, with these general conditions and guidelines, and with other regulations and provision.

4.2 Salary costs of principal investigator

Salary costs of the PI of an *Academy Project* and a *research programme project* can, in accordance with the full cost model, be included in the project costs to be funded. If not otherwise stated in the decision, the salary costs of the PI can be paid to an amount equivalent to a maximum of six month's effective working hours of the total costs of a four-year project. This is equivalent to one work day a week or 1.5 months a year.

In principle, however, research project funding is primarily intended to cover the salaries of full-time researchers working on the project and other project costs. The guidelines concerning the salary of the PI can also be applied to the Academy's earlier and still valid decisions made in accordance with the full cost model **as of the accounting year 2011**.

In addition, the Academy can grant funding towards the salary of the PI of an Academy Project for a maximum of twelve months and only for well-substantiated reasons in terms of the research (e.g. working abroad, returning to Finland or moving to another research organisation or company in Finland). The salary funding is intended to support project implementation. There must be a mention of this in the decision notification.

4.3 Basic facilities of a project

The Academy will provide funding only in so far as the site of research undertakes to provide the research project with the necessary basic facilities. These are determined on the basis of the nature of the research, but the usual basic facilities are the same as those available to other research staff at the institution, such as office and laboratory facilities, equipment (incl. computer equipment), telecommunications, telephone, mailing, copying and library services.

4.4 Costs covered with Academy funding

Academy funding can be used to cover both direct project costs (e.g. direct salaries) and indirect project costs (e.g. rents for premises). All these costs are covered with the same funding percentage, specified in the decision.

Research grants awarded by the Academy can be used for the following purposes associated with the research plan: salaries and fees, indirect employee costs, grants normally paid for work or studies abroad, and shorter than 12-month research visits by foreign researchers to Finland, travel costs, equipment costs, costs for arranging seminars or for inviting a foreign researcher, and for other direct costs resulting from project implementation. If the Academy requires an auditors' report on the project, the auditing costs may be accepted from the project costs.

Value added tax is paid out of the Academy's research grants, provided that the value added tax remains to be paid by the funding recipient and the recipient is not entitled to deduct the VAT costs in its accounting. If, for some reason, the VAT remains as a final cost for the research organisation, it is not justified to include the VAT costs in the costs of an Academy-funded project. The funding recipient must not be overcompensated by paying costs that will not remain as final costs for the recipient.

4.4.1 Indirect employee costs

Indirect employee costs are allocated to a project using the co-efficient for indirect employee costs. As a rule, the co-efficient used is the percentage of the sum of the direct salary costs allocated to the project. Costs that are covered with the co-efficient for indirect employee costs include salaries arising from paid absences, holiday bonuses, social security contributions and pension contributions, accident and unemployment insurance contributions and other similar employer contributions, and returns on these.

The co-efficient for indirect employee costs can also involve other personnel costs (e.g. occupational health), if they have not been included in the overheads.

4.4.2 Overheads

Overheads refer to project costs that are allocated to a project not directly but indirectly, using specific allocation grounds in accordance with the matching principle. When the project costs are divided into direct and indirect costs, the principles usually applied by the organisation in question shall be complied with.

The overheads are allocated to the project by using a coefficient for overheads. As a rule, the coefficient is a percentage of the total sum of the indirect employee costs and the salary costs for effective working hours within the project.

Costs that are covered with the coefficient for overheads include costs arising from administrative services, eligible depreciations from machines and equipment, and costs for premises (if not treated as direct costs according to the organisation's general calculation principles).

4.4.3 Grants

Funding decisions by the Academy may include personal grants that are usually paid only for work or studies abroad, or for shorter than 12-month research visits by foreign researchers to Finland. If the decision includes no mention of a grant, the site of research where the researcher works may decide to pay the grant for the above purposes. In this case, the PI shall submit a proposal (with justifications) for a personal grant to be paid to a researcher on his/her project. The proposal shall be submitted to the competent party (e.g. personnel, financial or general administration) of the PI's organisation. If a personal grant is awarded, the site of research may pay the grant from the overall research grant. The Academy recommends that the Academy's grant amounts be followed.

The Academy is not responsible for any tax consequences possibly arising from the payment of a grant. The Academy recommends that the site of research – before the grant decision is made – consult the tax administration concerning any tax consequences in connection with the grant payment.

Both the grant recipient and the granting organisation are obliged to notify the Farmers' Social Insurance Institution Mela (www.mela.fi) of the grant. In addition, the grant recipient is obliged to take out statutory insurance.

4.4.4 Mobility to Finland and mobility from Finland

This section applies to the following grants: *Mobility to Finland* and *Mobility from Finland*.

The full cost model does not apply to personal grants awarded by the Academy. Grants can only be used for the purpose specified in the decision. Any conditions set by the Academy (as specified in the decision) for the awarding of the grant must be adhered to.

The funding awarded for *mobility to Finland* includes a personal grant to be paid to the researcher.

Grants awarded for *mobility from Finland* include a monthly grant. Grants may also include travel costs. The travel costs of family members may have been included in the decision, provided that the researcher and his/her family stay abroad for at least six months. Grants do not include settling-in costs.

Taxation, insurance and visa

Grants awarded by the Academy for research are tax-free. Both the grant recipient and the grant-awarding organisation are obliged to notify the Farmers' Social Insurance Institution Mela (www.mela.fi) of the grant. Grant recipients are obliged to take out statutory insurance cover. Grant recipients shall check the visa requirements of their target country and apply for a visa.

Payment of mobility grants

The Academy pays mobility grants, on written request, into the grant recipients' Finnish bank accounts on the 15th of each month. The start date for the payment of the monthly instalments shall be indicated in the request for payment. The remittance is requested by using the Academy's payment request form available at www.aka.fi/eng > For researchers > Use of funding > Forms > Payment request private persons. The personal identity code must be given in the payment request. The signed payment request shall be mailed to the Academy of Finland one month prior to the first payment date.

Reporting

Grant recipients shall draft and submit a research report to the Academy no later than 1 June following the termination of the funding period.

5 HIRING STAFF

Staff hired with Academy research grants shall be in an employment relationship. They shall be hired for a period of employment no shorter than the funding period, unless a shorter contract is necessary for special reasons dictated by the implementation of the project's research plan.

Postdoctoral Researchers are hired for a period of 36 months.

The collective agreements in force at the site of research and other regulations concerning the employment relationship conditions shall be observed in the hiring and other employment relationship conditions of any staff to be hired with Academy funding.

5.1 Research posts as Academy Professor and Academy Research Fellow

The funding awarded by the Academy for a research post as Academy Professor or Academy Research Fellow shall be used by the site of research towards the salary of an Academy Professor or Academy Research Fellow and to hire the Academy Professor or Academy Research Fellow in question at least for the funding period. The funding decisions include indirect employee costs of 28 per cent. The Academy will not be liable for any expenditure arising from arrangements in excess of the above and specific to the employer, which the employer and the employee possibly agree on. The employer shall, however, see to that the salary does not fall behind the general salary development at the site of research.

The research posts as Academy Professor and Academy Research Fellow are intended only for full-time research work and related tasks. The duties of Academy Professors and Academy Research Fellows comprise teaching and supervision of theses and dissertations in the researchers' own fields to the equivalent of 5 per cent of the annual working hours, without separate remuneration. In all, no more than 10 per cent of the annual working hours may be spent on teaching and other work not immediately connected with the researchers' own research. The above conditions concerning the use of working hours shall be adhered to in compliance with the established practices of the Academy.

The full cost model does not apply to research grants towards the salary of an Academy Professor and Academy Research Fellow.

If a person who has been granted a research post as Academy Professor or Academy Research Fellow cannot continue in the research post (e.g. transferring to another employment or for some other reason), he/she must immediately notify the Academy. In this case, the PI shall submit an appeal via the Academy's online services under My applications > Decisions > Appeals.

5.2 Research post as Postdoctoral Researcher

The research grant for a research post as Postdoctoral Researcher is intended only to cover the salary costs of the applicant that are determined in accordance with the pay system of the site of research, and, provided there is a mention of this in the decision, for other research costs. That is, the research grant is intended for the 36-month salary of the Postdoctoral Researcher and for direct research costs. With the consent of the site of research, a fixed-term grant for work abroad can be paid out of the research grant. The research post as Postdoctoral Researcher is intended for full-time research and the Postdoctoral Researcher shall be in an employment relationship with his/her site of research during the funding period.

The research post as Postdoctoral Researcher is intended for research in accordance with the proposed research plan. In addition, the Academy recommends that Postdoctoral Researchers provide tuition in their own field and teaching related to their own specific field.

If a person who has been granted a research post as Postdoctoral Researcher cannot continue in the research post (e.g. transferring to another employment or for some other reason), he/she must immediately notify the Academy. In this case, the PI shall submit an appeal via the Academy's online services under My applications > Decisions > Appeals, either under "Decline the research grant in full" or "Decline the research grant in part".

5.3 Teaching by hired staff

The Academy recommends that Academy-funded researchers with a doctorate provide teaching or supervision of theses and dissertations to the equivalent of 5 per cent of their annual working hours (specified in the collective agreement) without separate remuneration. However, no more than 10 per cent of the annual working hours should be spent on teaching and other work not immediately connected with the researchers' own research.

The Academy recommends that teaching by Academy-funded doctoral candidates be connected to the candidates' own research and equivalent to no more than 5 per cent of their annual working hours. Teaching must not delay the completion of a doctoral dissertation.

6 ACQUISITIONS WITH ACADEMY FUNDING

The recipient of funding is liable to clarify whether the Finnish Act on Public Contracts is applied to acquisitions made by the Academy-funded research project, and when needed, to see to that the acquisition is in compliance with the practices stipulated in the Act.

6.1 Administration of fixed assets

Any supplies, equipment and literature acquired with Academy funding will remain in the ownership and possession of the site of research.

If the funding is granted for a specific purpose defined in the decision on discretionary government transfers, for acquisition of assets or for basic improvements, the assets must not be used permanently for other purposes than for those defined in the decision on discretionary government transfers. Neither can the ownership or possession right of the assets be handed over to anyone else during the time they are used, as specified in the decision on discretionary government transfers.

6.2 Acquisition costs covered by discretionary government transfers

The Academy requires that the general guidelines issued by the Finnish Accounting Board are applied to depreciations. The Board's general guidelines on depreciations according to plan (16 Oct 2007) provide advice on how a book entry shall be made on investment transfers. In accordance with established accounting practices, an investment transfer that is received for purposes of acquisition of fixed assets shall be entered in the form of an expense transfer as a deduction of the acquisition cost. In the depreciation calculation, the depreciation base consists of the amount of the acquisition cost deducted with the transfer received. The whole acquisition cost of the fixed assets in question and the amount covered by the investment transfer are entered in the notes to the balance sheet's passive side and following the materiality principle.

7 REPORTING RESPONSIBILITY OF SITE OF RESEARCH

The basis for reporting in connection with payment requests is derived from project accounting in which the direct costs of a project are entered (based on business accounting). In addition, the calculated overheads and indirect employee costs that shall be entered into the projects are derived from the concerned organisation's cost calculation. Separate reports on the calculated cost items based on the organisation's accounting shall be submitted to the Academy Registrar's Office annually.

The overheads percentage approved in the funding decision shall be applied during the entire funding period. The 12.5 per cent overheads percentage is applied to funding decisions made before 2009.

The total outturn data from the start of the project and the outturn data for the period in question are requested for each type of expenditure. The corresponding information shall be given on the Academy's funding contribution. The percentage indicating the Academy's funding contribution in accordance with the decision is used as calculation grounds for the Academy's funding contribution. The amount and percentage of Academy funding are specified in the funding decision.

Reporting on hours worked forms part of the request for payment. If needed, the Academy also approves information on hours worked as files including all necessary data fields.

8 REPORTING RESPONSIBILITY OF PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR

Research report

The PI of a research project shall draft and submit a research report to the Academy no later than 1 June following the termination of the project's funding period. Also, in the case of a research project in development research, the PI shall, upon termination of the funding period, submit a copy of publications produced within the Academy-funded project to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs. For separate guidelines on reporting, see www.aka.fi/eng > For researchers > Reporting.

Auditors' report

If the total funding indicated in the funding decision of a *research programme project* or a *Centre of Excellence* exceeds 1 million euros, the PI of the project shall submit to the Academy the auditors' report on the use of funds within the project. The report shall be submitted upon termination of research programme funding, or for Centres of Excellence, after the third year and the sixth year of funding. If needed, the Academy may request the auditors' report separately. The auditors' report shall be submitted no later than 31 January of the next calendar year. The site of research or the PI is responsible for submitting the auditors' report to the Academy. This condition does not apply to funding granted for research infrastructures.

9 DEVIATIONS FROM THE FUNDING PLAN

In addition to the total amount of funding, the Academy's decision may also indicate the annual instalments and types of expenditure of a project. For guidelines regarding changes in the cost estimate, see 9.1 and 9.2.

9.1 Research grant deviates from the one applied for

If the funding granted by the Academy deviates 10 per cent or more from the amount applied for, and the PI and the site of research cannot accept the calculation grounds of the decision due to this deviation, it is possible to apply for a new cost estimate for the project. In this case, the PI shall submit an appeal for the new cost estimate via the Academy's online services My applications > Decisions > Appeals. The appeal shall include justifications and a new cost estimate following the cost specification of the original application. A cost estimate appeal shall be submitted within six weeks of the decision date, unless otherwise stated in the special condition of the decision notification.

9.2 Changes in annual instalments

This section does not apply to funding granted for development research.

The maximum annual deviation from the indicated annual instalments is 15 per cent. The types of expenditure specified in the decision are normative and deviating from them is only allowed if it supports the implementation of the set research plan. In the case of major deviations, applicants are advised to contact the presenting official of the decision.

If the PI of a research project cannot commit to the proposed annual instalments of the Academy's funding decision (taking into account the 15 per cent deviation), he/she shall make a proposal to the Academy for new annual instalments. The proposal must be submitted within six weeks from the decision date via the Academy's online services under My applications > Decision made > Appeals > Appeal against cost estimate.

The appeal proposal must not exceed the total amount granted for the project. No appeal can be made for the new decision on annual instalments.

10 APPEALING AGAINST A FUNDING DECISION

All major changes in the content of Academy funding decisions or in issues relating to the use of funds require advance approval by the Academy and a change in the funding decision.

An appeal against a funding decision can be made by the site of research and the PI of a project, who must submit the appeal to the Academy. The appeal shall include sufficient justifications and all necessary appendices needed for processing the issue.

Appeals against funding issues can only be made during the funding period, however, no later than two months before the termination of the funding period.

Major changes that require advance approval by the Academy are:

- Change of cost estimate and/or annual instalments
- Substantial changes in the research plan, e.g. change of research topic
- Extension of funding period
- Change of site of research
- Change of PI
- Change of decision conditions or purpose
- Declining research grant in full
- Declining research grant in part
- Declining reserve place
- Presentation of cost estimate in accordance with an agreement
- Other change

The funding period may be extended only on application and for a special reason, e.g. on the basis of maternity, paternity, parental or childcare leave, military or non-military service, or a chronic disease of a researcher working in the project with Academy funding. The maximum extension on the basis of childcare leave is twelve months. The appeal (with all relevant certificates) shall be filed with the Academy without delay and no later than two months before the termination of the funding period.

The funding period cannot be extended on the grounds that the money has not been used.

The appeal for changing the site of research shall be filed by the PI of the project. The consent of the original site of research and the commitment of the new site of research, as well as an account by the financial administration of the use of funds at the time of the transfer, shall be appended to the application.

The site of research cannot be changed in the middle of the payment period. In other words, the change is only possible starting from May, September and January, on the condition that the last payment request by the original site of research concerning the funding decision has been submitted to the Academy and has been paid (see 3.2). The PI shall submit the appeal in the Academy's online services under My applications > Decisions > Appeals.

11 GRANTING ADDITIONAL RESEARCH GRANTS

This section only applies to research posts as Postdoctoral Researcher.

In funding decisions made in accordance with the full cost model, the possibility for additional funding is included in the indirect employee costs. Consequently, additional funding is no longer granted separately.

If the full cost model is not applied to the cost calculation of a project, the project may be granted additional funding on the basis of maternity leave or a chronic disease of a researcher working on the project. If additional funding is granted, the Academy will apply the principles that were valid when the original funding decision for the project was made. An application for an additional research grant shall be filed with the Academy by the site of research or the PI.

12 CONTROL, DISCONTINUATION AND CLAWBACK OF FUNDS

The Academy has the right to monitor and control the use of funds it has granted. The Academy is entitled to carry out any inspections of the finances and operations of the funding recipient that may be necessary for the payment and control of the use of the funds. The Academy also has the right to control the implementation of the research, the accounting and the observance of the conditions set for the funding decision. The site of research and the PI of the research project are obliged to submit to the Academy any necessary accounts and other documents and data, and to

assist in the inspection. Both the site of research and the PI shall also otherwise, on request, submit to the Academy information on the research and the use of funds.

The PI and the site of research must without delay notify the Academy of any changes affecting the use of funds, such as other funding or income received for the implementation of the set research plan. If this other funding or income exceeds the amount presented in the cost estimate included in the application submitted to the Academy, the Academy may require the site of research to return the portion of Academy funding that corresponds to the amount exceeding the cost estimate.

The Academy may interrupt or order the payment of funds to be terminated, or recover the funds in full or partly, if there is justified reason to suspect that the PI or the site of research has used funds for some other purpose than for which they were granted, or has presented erroneous or misleading information regarding a fact that may have affected the granting, the amount or the conditions of funding or otherwise violated the regulations on the use of funds or the conditions incorporated into the funding decision.

The recipient of government discretionary transfers shall without delay repay into the Academy of Finland's bank account 166030-112337 (SWIFT Nordea Bank Finland Plc, Helsinki, NDEAFIHH; IBAN FI5616603000112337) any funds, or any portion of funds, received erroneously, in excess or evidently without grounds. The funds need not be returned if the sum does not exceed 10 euros.

Provisions on the repayment and clawback of discretionary government transfers have been laid down in Chapter 5 of the Act on Discretionary Government Transfers.

13 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

The Academy advises that the recipient of funding and the PI of the project agree with the other project parties on the rights of ownership and use of the research results.

At sites of research where the Act on the Right to University Inventions (369/2006) applies, Academy-funded research is defined as commissioned research as referred to in the Act. In these cases, the university has the primary right to inventions produced by the research. At other sites of research, the Act on the Right to Employee Inventions is applied (656/1967).

14 MATERIALS MANAGEMENT AND PUBLISHING

Scientific publications produced by Academy-funded research projects shall always indicate that the research has been conducted with funding from the Academy of Finland.

The Academy recommends that

- Academy-funded researchers publish their research articles in open-access electronic scientific journals in cases where there are electronic journals available that meet at least the same quality standards as traditional subscription-based journals
- articles that are not published in open-access electronic publications be saved in open-access electronic archives
- parallel copies of all published research articles be saved in Finnish open-access electronic publication archives
- any language materials created within Academy-funded projects be made available for other researchers through the FIN-CLARIN system
- Academy-funded social science data be delivered to the Finnish Social Science Data Archive (FSD), based at the University of Tampere (see www.fsd.uta.fi/english). Delivery shall take place as soon as possible after Academy funding has ceased.

15 RESEARCH ETHICS

The Academy requires that the guidelines of the National Advisory Board on Research Ethics, 'Good scientific practice and procedures for handling misconduct and fraud in science', and the complementary research-ethical guidelines of the Academy of Finland be complied with in all Academy-funded research (see www.aka.fi/eng > For researchers > Use of funding > Ethical guidelines). The site of research undertakes to notify the Academy Registrar's Office if an investigation is started concerning violation of good scientific practice by the PI or a researcher who has received Academy funding.

16 CERTAIN PROVISIONS ON RESEARCH FUNDING

The use, payment and control of grants follows the Finnish Act on Discretionary Government Transfers, the State Budget Act and Decree, the Finnish Act and Decree on Public Contracts, the State Budget and its regulations regarding its application and other general provisions and regulations regarding the use of State funds. The site of research shall also comply with its internal regulations, provisions and instructions, if these are not in contradiction with the conditions issued by the Academy of Finland.