

# **MINUTES OF MEETING**

Title: Research Management Committee (RMC) Meeting Subject: Minutes of the Meeting Date: January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Reporter: Morgane LEONARD Recipient(s):

- All Research Management Committee (RMC) Members.
- All ICN BS permanent teachers

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#### **Presents:**

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AGENDA

- 1. Preliminary discussion of Faculty Day group work
- 2. Additional list of ICN journals: update and release
- 3. Enhancing the value of publishing activities: decision

This Research Management Committee is the first for Pr. Silvester IVANAJ, new Head of Research.

# 1. Preliminary discussion of Faculty Day group work

The RMC members particularly discussed the following propositions of the Faculty Day group works:

External funding: to make research financially independent of student tuition fees.

We need to create a sustainable environment for research, in particular by recruiting PhDs, postdocs and administrative staff.

- We already have Romain Pierronnet, a scientific engineer, who keeps a constant watch on existing calls and is a real asset to the creation of consortia and the project submission process.
- Including PhD students in the projects of ICN's teacher-researchers is a subject in development for the near future.

For project submissions, there are external institutions that can assist with the preparation of dossiers (i.e. EFund in the case of the Erasmus+ ITeachWell project led by Jean-François STICH).

We need to think about all existing sources of funding, not just calls for projects:

- Companies (i.e. through ICN's Corporate Relations department)
- Students in executive programs who have applied research demands. The point is to communicate our competences : Example of a "marketplace" of research projects at a Jyväskylä University (Finland), where researchers present their work to students

#### Loss of relevance and significance in research:

Ideas to give new meaning to research at ICN:

- Valuing in addition other work than articles
- Stronger research-pedagogy connection: improve the impact of ICN research on our students by including case studies and articles by our researchers in courses (publications in The Conversation are a suitable medium for students).

## ATM philosophy:

We need to intensify and really incarnate the ATM philosophy, not only in our teaching but also in our research. It is a real "employer brand" with strong values (openness, multidisciplinarity, creativity, UNESCO, etc.), researchers today mainly turn to ICN for this identity.

## 2. Additional list of ICN journals

The additional list of ICN journals has been updated. It can be found in the appendix.

As a reminder, publications in these journals count as contributions towards the triennial and qualifications, but do not lead to a financial bonus and are not taken into account in journalistic rankings.

## 3. Recognition of editorial activities

The proposal for recognition of editorial activities (taking into account special issues introductory articles and reduction of teaching hours for editorial board members according to journal rank) was postponed by the COMEX. This proposal will therefore be reworked for future inclusion in the Faculty Handbook.

#### Dates

Next Research Management Committee meeting: February 22nd, 2024