TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE FACULTY RESEARCH COMMITTEE AT SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Aims and objectives

The aims and objectives of appointing a Faculty Research Committee at Science and Technology are to promote the strategic goals of increasing external funding of the faculty's research, creating greater academic synergy cutting across the faculty's academic environments, and ensuring high quality in connection with recruiting and appointing scientific staff.

The Faculty Research Committee aims to be a forum for strategic discussions and cross-disciplinary exchange of experience in relation to application options, the potential for cross-disciplinary projects and collaborations, and recruitment plans and initiatives.

Tasks

The tasks for the Faculty Research Committee specifically include:

- Mutual orientation, consultancy and exchange of experience regarding application options in relation to major foundations/calls.
- Discussing and implementing initiatives in connection with strengthening collaboration cutting across major research applications/project ideas.
- Initiating and coordinating the formulation of major academic initiatives/project ideas in the departmental research committees with a view to investigative dialogue in connection with selected private foundations.
- Coordinating and exchanging experience about recruitment initiatives cutting across departments and centres.
- Discussing internationalisation initiatives, including initiatives in relation to strengthening the international impact and visibility of the research.
- Providing presentations to the Faculty Management Team regarding the overall strategic principles and direction of application activities and recruitment initiatives.
- Advising the Dean's Office and the Faculty Management Team in relation to research-related questions.

Composition of members

- The Faculty Research Committee is appointed by the dean.
- The chairs of the local research committees are ex-officio members of the Faculty Research Committee. The chair is shared by the vice-dean for research and the vice-dean for talent development.

Meeting cadence

- The committee meets as required and at least four times a year.

Secretarial services

- The Faculty Research Committee is provided with secretarial services by the Faculty Secretariat, which is also responsible for coordination with and involvement of other Aarhus University stakeholders.