

Research Support Scheme

Please answer all the sections and attach relevant documentation.

Personal Details

1. Title
2. Surname (in full)
3. Name (in full)

4. I.D card number
5. University Student Number
6. Address

7. Mobile Number
8. E-mail address

Course Details

1. Course title
2. Duration of Course
3. Course Type Full-time Part-time
4. Faculty

Course Details

1. Are your studies being sponsored or funded?

 Yes No

*If Yes, please specify

Research Project Details

2. Project Title

3. Name of supervisor

4. Objectives of study (<200 words)

5. Brief description of proposed methodology (<200 words)

3. The Authority may choose to limit, or extend participation and eligibility in the Scheme in any way it deems fit, at any stage of the Scheme, and without prior notice;
4. An application by a Participant does not give that Participant the automatic right to receive a grant but is merely a request by the Participant to be considered by the MCA for entitlement to the grant;
5. Subject to the above clauses, no single Participant shall be awarded a grant in excess of 2,500 Euros;
6. Subject to the above clauses, only those studies and projects that have been reviewed and approved by the University will be considered by the MCA for entitlement to receive a grant under the Scheme;
7. Subject to the above clauses, only those expenses that are strictly connected to the Participants' research in the projects approved by the University and that fall within the list of eligible thematic areas contained in the Schedule to this Agreement, will be refundable through the grant;
8. Subject to the above clauses, only those expenses that are backed by appropriate receipts and other documentation, as may be specified by the University, and that are submitted to the University by the deadline, and in accordance with other directions, given by the University will be refundable.
9. The Authority will have the sole right to determine which expenses may be refunded through the Scheme and its decision is final and binding on all Participants. An indicative list of expenses that will be covered through the Scheme is provided in the Schedule to this Agreement. The MCA reserves the right to alter this list from time to time.
10. If any of these terms and conditions is found to be unenforceable by a competent Court or tribunal, such a finding will not render the remaining terms and conditions invalid;
11. These terms and conditions and the relationship between the parties hereto are governed by Maltese law and subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Maltese Courts.

Declarations

By submitting this application I declare that I have read and agree with the terms and conditions and that the information provided is correct and complete.

Name

Date

Return your completed form by email to Reuben Abela reuben.v.abela@mca.org.mt by not later than Friday, 29th April 2011.

SCHEDULE 1

Thematic Areas

Engineering:

- Spectrum management
- Mobile technology and applications
- NGANs
- Accessible technologies
- Security (Telecoms)
- Broadband QoS

Psychology, sociology and education:

- eInclusion – ICT as a social equaliser
- Digital poverty
- ICT literacy – adult education (local context)
- Internet safety and minors
- eCommerce – user perceptions/behaviour
- Social networks

Legal:

- eCommerce
- ICT security and privacy
- Intellectual property
- Rights of way
- Competition
- Boundaries and exclusivity of content rights
- Legalistic details of international submarine connections

Business:

- ICT integration and supply chain management
- eCommerce (local context)
- ICT diffusion
- ICT and micro entrepreneurship
- Organisational behaviour – Resistance to ICTs

Economics/Public policy:

- Liberalisation and regulation
- Telecoms investment
- Communications / eCommerce market dynamics
- Government intervention in NGN

Expenses

Eligible expenses may include:

- Printing;
- Specialised Equipment (rental or purchase);
- Postage;
- Materials for experiments;
- Research related services.

Ineligible expenses include:

- Personal Computers;
- Services related to transcriptions, translation and proof reading;
- Binding of dissertation/theses;
- Hiring of assistants to aid in data collection.