



# LEGAL BULLETIN

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### ORDER No. 23

by the Rector of Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń

from 27th January 2026.

#### **Regulations on the financing of Doctoral students' publication costs under the 'Excellence Initiative – Research University' programme**

Pursuant to Article 52.3 of Resolution No. 37 of the Senate of Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń of 16 April 2019 on the Statutes of Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń (NCU Legal Bulletin of 2024, item 10, as amended), in conjunction with Order No. 14 of the Rector of Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń of 22 January 2026 on the Organisational Regulations and the Principles of Management of the programme 'Excellence Initiative – Research University' at Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń (NCU Legal Bulletin of 2026, item 20) **it is provided** as follows:

#### Article 1

1. The call for proposals is organised at Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń, hereinafter referred to as the 'University', within the framework of the programme 'Excellence Initiative – Research University', hereinafter referred to as 'IDUB'.
2. These Regulations set out the rules for financing the publication costs of doctoral students of the University's doctoral schools under the 'Excellence Initiative – Research University' programme, hereinafter referred to as 'IDUB'.
3. The aim of the call is to enable doctoral students of the University's doctoral schools to obtain funding to cover publication costs.
4. The funds allocated for publications shall be disbursed on a continuous basis until the amounts allocated for this purpose in a given calendar year are exhausted.

#### Article 2

1. Doctoral students of the University's doctoral schools, hereinafter referred to as 'Doctoral students', are eligible to participate in the call.
2. The Doctoral student status declared in the application must be maintained until the date of the article's publication. Any change or loss of this status must be reported immediately to the IDUB Programme Section. In the event of a change or loss of status, the granted funding shall be suspended as of the date of such change or loss, and further implementation or financing shall not be possible.

#### Article 3

1. Financial support for publication costs may be granted for the following categories of expenditures:
  - 1) The fee for ensuring Open Access to an article published in a Q1 or Q2 scientific journal (according to Web of Science);
  - 2) The fee for translation of a scientific article into English or another foreign language relevant to the given discipline, submitted for publication in a Q1 or Q2 scientific journal (according to Web of Science);
  - 3) The fee for language editing of a scientific article prepared in English or another foreign language relevant to the given discipline, submitted for publication in a Q1 or Q2 scientific journal (according to Web of Science);
  - 4) Co-financing of the printing of monographs in publishing houses listed at Level II of the register of publishers issuing peer-reviewed scientific monographs, as announced by the minister competent for science and higher education.
2. The maximum funding level for each expenditure category is as follows:
  - 1) Fee for ensuring open access – PLN 15,000.00;
  - 2) Fee for translation – PLN 70.00 per 1,800 Polish characters;
  - 3) Fee for language editing – PLN 1,500.00 per article;
  - 4) Co-financing of monograph publication – PLN 10,000.00.
3. In cases where the actual costs exceed the limits specified in Article 3.2, it is permissible to cover the remaining costs from another source.

#### Article 4

1. A person applying for funding of the costs listed in Article 3.1 shall submit an application using the dedicated form available on the IDUB programme website.
2. The application shall include:
  - 1) Applicant's details (first name, last name, student ID number, phone number, email address, faculty, doctoral school, discipline);
  - 2) List of publications;
  - 3) Information about the publication for which funding is requested, in particular:
    - a) Title of the article;
    - b) Authors of the article along with their affiliations;
    - c) Details of the journal in which the article is to be published;
    - d) Full text of the article;
  - 4) Information on the requested amount along with justification;
  - 5) Name of the translator (or company) together with documents confirming experience in translating scientific texts (in the case of applying for funding of translation costs);
  - 6) Name of the language editor (or company) together with documents confirming experience in editing scientific texts (in the case of applying for funding of language editing costs);
  - 7) Opinion of the chairperson of the relevant scientific discipline council (or the relevant dean, in the case of Doctoral students representing disciplines without a disciplinary council).

#### Article 5

The decision on funding shall be made by the Chairperson of the Coordinating Team after obtaining the opinion of the Verification Committee referred to in Article 5 of Order No. 21 of the Rector of Nicolaus Copernicus University of 12 February 2024 on the 'Publications' Call for Proposals for financing publication costs under the programme 'Excellence Initiative – Research University' (NCU Legal Bulletin of 2024, item 44). The

opinion of the Verification Committee is prepared based on the principles set out in Article 5.3 of the aforementioned ordinance.

#### Article 6

1. An appeal against the decision referred to in Article 5 may be submitted in writing to the Chairperson of the Coordinating Team at the email address: publikacje@umk.pl within seven days of receiving the decision. The appeal may be based solely on a breach of the rules governing the conduct of the call.
2. The decision of the Chairperson, made after considering the appeal, shall be final.

#### Article 7

1. Funds granted for the financing of a given expenditure category, as listed in Article 3.1, shall be considered settled when:
  - 1) confirmation of acceptance of the article or monograph into the editorial process of a journal or publisher meeting the conditions specified in Article 3.1 is provided; or
  - 2) a written resignation from the funds granted for financing that expenditure category is submitted (provided that no funds granted for financing this expenditure category have been spent).
2. Failure to settle funds granted for the financing of a given expenditure category shall result in the applicant being ineligible to submit another application (including in subsequent editions of the call) for funding of expenditures in that category.
3. Questions regarding the call should be directed to: publikacje\_d@umk.pl.

#### Article 8

Order No. 36 of the Rector of Nicolaus Copernicus University of 7 March 2022 on the Regulations for Financing Publication Costs of Doctoral Students under the ‘Excellence Initiative – Research University’ programme (NCU Legal Bulletin of 2022, item 63) is hereby repealed.

#### Article 9

The Order shall enter into force on 27 January 2026.

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