Guidelines for Research Networks

Based on its competences according to § 11 lit I) of the statutes of the University the rectorate approves the following guidelines.

1. Research networks cover research needs for which no other suitable university structures exist, especially in connection with interdisciplinary research cooperation. Research networks support the identity and visibility of interdisciplinary research initiatives.

2. Research networks arise in bottom-up processes on the initiative of researchers and organize themselves.

3. The application for recognition of a research network must be submitted by at least five members of Group I or II from at least two different departments. Participation of research groups of external and associated research institutions in the EUCOR area and in the Regio Basiliensis is possible and desirable.

4. Applications for the establishment of research networks are submitted to the research commission for a period of two years. At the latest six months before the expiry date, an extension of recognition for a further two years can be applied for.

5. Research networks position themselves within the strategy of the University of Basel, contribute to networking at university, regional and international level and increase the visibility of the University of Basel. In order to support specific scientific activities of the networks, a funding application can be submitted to the University's research fund.

6. The recognition of research networks is made by decision of the rectorate.

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