SOUTH AFRICAN RESEARCH CHAIRS INITIATIVE

GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR RESEARCH CHAIRS TO BE HELD IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OTHER INSTITUTIONS

The South African Research Chairs Initiative (SARChI) is a programme for universities, and Research Chairs may be held by a university in partnership with a public research institution such as: another university, a science council, a national research facility or an academic health complex.

Where Research Chairs are held in partnership with another institution the following will apply.

• The partnership must be mutually beneficial with the objective of advancing, amongst others, the following:
  ➢ Credentialing of academic and research staff to doctoral level;
  ➢ Developing emerging researchers;
  ➢ Sharing of research infrastructure at the host and partner institutions; and
  ➢ Strengthening research programmes at the host and partner institution.

• The Chair-holder will be required to spend 95% of his/her time on Chair activities.

• The host university must enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the partner institution specifying roles, responsibilities, sharing of Intellectual Property, student supervision, research outputs, etc.

• The Chair-holder may not concurrently hold a senior management position, e.g., Dean, Head of Department, Director of Research Institute, etc.
Where Research Chairs are held in partnership with another university the following will apply:

• The Chair-holder must be employed by the host university.
• The Chair-holder may be appointed as an Adjunct Professor at the partner university.
• The Chair-holder may be seconded to the partner university for a mutually agreed upon percentage of his/her time.
• Depending on the Programme and Qualification Mix (PQM) of the partner university, the Chair-holder may supervise students registered at the partner university.

Where Chairs are held in partnership with a public research institution such as: a science council, a national research facility or an academic health complex the following will apply:

• The Chair-holder must be employed by the host university.
• The Chair-holder may be seconded to the partner institution for a mutually agreed upon percentage of his/her time or the Chair-holder may be employed at the partner institution for a maximum of 50% of his or her time.
• Students supervised at the partner institution must be registered at the host university.

Reminder: Submission of Phase 1 Applications

A signed hard copy, must be mailed to SARChI, c/o Ms Tshepiso Masemola, PO Box 2600, Pretoria, 0001 or hand delivered to the NRF Offices, Brummeria, Pretoria and, an electronic copy in PDF format, must be sent to tshepiso.masemola@nrf.ac.za no later than 01 September 2011. The Application Form and Guide for Application are available online: http://hicd.nrf.ac.za/sarchi/sarc_rif_overview.html
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