

**THE WARSAW UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY**

**Decision No. 262/2023**  
**of the Rector of the Warsaw University of Technology**  
of 10 October 2023

**amending Decision No. 171/2020 of the PW Rector on the launch of the Best Paper programme as part of the implementation of the “Excellence Initiative – Research University” project at the Warsaw University of Technology**

Pursuant to Article 23 section 1, under Article 389 sections 1 and 2 of the Act of 20 July 2018 – Law on Higher Education and Science (Journal of Laws of 2023 item 742, as amended) and under Agreement No. 04/IDUB/2019/94 of 30 December 2019 concluded between the State Treasury represented by the Minister of Science and Higher Education and the Warsaw University of Technology, it is resolved as follows:

§ 1

The Annex to Decision No. 171/2020 of the PW Rector of 31 July 2020 on the launch of the Best Paper programme as part of the implementation of the “Excellence Initiative – Research University” project at the Warsaw University of Technology shall be amended as set forth in the Annex to this Decision.

§ 2

This Decision enters into force upon signing.

RECTOR

Professor Krzysztof Zaremba

**Regulations for the Best Paper programme implemented at the Warsaw University of Technology as part of the “Excellence Initiative – Research University” project at the Warsaw University of Technology**

1. The Best Paper programme awarding authors of best scientific publications in a given year, affiliated with the Warsaw University of Technology, is being implemented as part of the “Excellence Initiative – Research University” project (IDUB) at the Warsaw University of Technology.
2. The Best Paper programme referred to in item 1 is addressed to employees of the Warsaw University of Technology whose scientific output is included in the evaluation of the scientific activity of the University.
3. The beneficiaries of the programme may be the persons referred to in item 2, employed at PW on 31 December in the year preceding the qualification of publication for the Best Paper programme.
4. The following proposals shall be eligible for the Best Paper programme:
  - 1) Papers published in journals with 200 points, full-text conference papers published in conference materials for 200 points, and scientific monographs published in level 2 publishing houses (200 points) according to the current lists of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education (lists are published on the IDUB project website), whose authors indicated the affiliation with the Warsaw University of Technology and authorised the Warsaw University of Technology to list the publication as an achievement in the statement for evaluation purposes, referred to in Article 265, section 13 of the Law on Higher Education.
  - 2) Publications fulfilling the condition referred to in sub-item 1 and registered in the repository of the Warsaw University of Technology – Base of Knowledge.
5. Publications shall be qualified for the Best Paper programme automatically, based on the report generated from the PW Base of Knowledge.
6. The PW authors of the papers eligible for the programme shall be granted the following awards to be divided:
  - 1) PLN 15,000 – for publications fulfilling the conditions referred to in item 4 sub-item 1, published as part of international or interdisciplinary collaboration, additionally, for papers in the first quartile journals according to CiteScore of the Scopus database;
  - 2) PLN 10,000 – for publications fulfilling the conditions referred to in item 4 sub-item 1 and, additionally, for papers in the first quartile journals according to CiteScore of the Scopus database;

- 3) PLN 5,000 – for co-authored publications, with more than 20 authors (provided that the author has not completed tasks linked directly to the preparation of the manuscript), papers in the first quartile journals according to CiteScore of the Scopus database, and fulfilling the conditions referred to in item 4 sub-item 1.
7. The amount referred to in item 6 shall be paid as a publication allowance. The decision on the amount of allowance shall be taken by the Head of IDUB project, based on the opinion of the Committee for Publications.
8. The allowance shall be paid by April in a given year and shall include the previous year's publications. In 2023, the allowance shall be paid by the end of December and include 2022 publications.
9. For publications in a given year, one author may receive no more than PLN 15,000 in total.
10. No publication which received funding as part of IDUB competitions following the PW Rector's Decisions No. 109/2022 and No. 110/2022 may be the subject of the Best Paper programme.
11. All unregulated and contentious matters shall be settled by the Vice-Rector for Research.
12. Information on the programme is available on the IDUB project website ([www.badawcza.pw.edu.pl](http://www.badawcza.pw.edu.pl)).