

MAIN ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT BY AVAP IN THE SECOND HALF OF 2019 AND THROUGHOUT 2020

**VALENCIAN AGENCY
FOR ASSESSMENT AND
FORESIGHT**



UNIVERSITY QUALITY ASSURANCE DEPARTMENT

A. UNIVERSITY BACHELOR'S PROGRAMMES

1. EVALUATION OF NEW BACHELOR'S, MASTER'S AND DOCTORAL PROGRAMMES TO BE INTRODUCED IN THE 2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR BY UNIVERSITIES IN THE VALENCIAN COMMUNITY.

In accordance with the provisions of Article 13 of Order 86/2010 of 15 November, which establishes the procedure for the introduction of official university bachelor's, master's and doctoral programmes at universities in the Valencian Community (DOCV No. 6405 of 25 November 2010), the AVAP issued an evaluation report on **23 applications** for the introduction of new official bachelor's, master's and doctoral programmes for the 2020–2021 academic year submitted by Valencian universities

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BACHELOR'S	MASTER'S	PhD
1	20	2

2. MONITORING OF OFFICIAL UNIVERSITY DEGREE PROGRAMMES IMPLEMENTED IN THE VALENCIAN COMMUNITY

In 2019, the universities of the Valencian Community submitted a total of **55 programmes** for evaluation:

UNIVERSITY	No. OF PROGRAMMES
UV - EG	1
UPV	3
UA	14
UJI	0
UMH	8



UCH-CEU	7
UCV	12
UEV	3
VIU	7
TOTAL	55

In 2020, the call for applications for the evaluation of official university programmes in the Valencian Community is expected to be published in December, and 37 applications for evaluation are expected to be submitted by all universities.

3. RENEWAL OF ACCREDITATION FOR OFFICIAL UNIVERSITY PROGRAMMES OFFERED IN THE VALENCIAN COMMUNITY

Pursuant to the provisions of Royal Decree 1393/2007 of 29 October, which establishes the organisation of official university education, the accreditation of a total of **109** official university programmes at the universities in the Valencian Community. 3

In 2021, **85 bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programmes** at Valencian universities will apply for accreditation renewal.

This evaluation process involves not only an online assessment by a committee of experts but also an on-site visit to the relevant university, where interviews are conducted with the various groups involved in the programme under evaluation (lecturers, students, graduates, employers, etc.). Given the current situation, since September the AVAP has been conducting the ReAcredita evaluation committees remotely.

B. TEACHING AND RESEARCH STAFF

1. ASSESSMENT FOR THE RECRUITMENT OF TEACHING STAFF AT VALENCIAN UNIVERSITIES.

By resolution of 6 February 2020, issued by the President of AVAP, the 2020 call for applications for the assessment of teaching staff recruitment at Valencian universities was approved.

Under this call for applications, **824** applications were processed. Of these, **570** received a positive assessment.

RESULTS BY CONTRACT TYPE – 2020 CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

TYPES	APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED	POSITIVE EVALUATION	SUCCESS RATE
DOCTORS HIRED	369	229	62.05
ASSISTANT DOCTOR	339	267	78.76
PRIVATE UNIVERSITY LECTURER	116	74	63.79

2. EVALUATION OF THE RESEARCH ACTIVITIES OF CONTRACTED TEACHING AND RESEARCH STAFF (SIX-YEAR PERIODS)

AVAP has signed collaboration agreements with the University of Valencia, Miguel Hernández University in Elche, the University of Alicante, Jaume I University and the General Foundation of the University of Valencia to evaluate the research activity of their contracted teaching and research staff who cannot be assessed by the CNEAI.

AVAP, through its committees of experts, assesses the research activity of these academic staff members by applying a procedure and evaluation criteria comparable to those used by the CNEAI to assess academic staff belonging to university teaching bodies.

In 2020, AVAP received a total of **224 applications** and, during the month of October, the evaluation reports were sent to the respective universities.

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UNIVERSITY	APPLICATIONS RECEIVED
UA	47
UJI	23
UMH	37
UV	117

3. ASSESSMENT OF ADDITIONAL REMUNERATION FOR ACADEMIC STAFF

MERIT-BASED TEACHING AND RESEARCH MOBILITY	APPLICATIONS
University of Valencia – General Student Union	35
Jaume I University	17
University of Alicante	22
Miguel Hernández University	3
Polytechnic University of Valencia	2
TOTAL	79

In accordance with the provisions of Decree 174/2002 of the Valencian Government and the Resolution of 21 January 2011 of AVAP Presidency, it falls to AVAP to assess individual merits for the purpose of establishing additional remuneration linked to individual teaching, research and management merits of civil servant teaching and research staff, as regulated by Decree 174/2002 of 15 October of the Valencian Government.

The evaluation committee is due to meet in the coming days, and in the next few days the universities will receive the evaluation reports on those applications involving mobility placements, which are being assessed by AVAP's expert committee.

R&D EVALUATION SECTION

1.1 R&D CALLS FOR PROPOSALS FROM THE REGIONAL MINISTRY OF INNOVATION, UNIVERSITIES, SCIENCE AND THE DIGITAL SOCIETY

In accordance with the provisions of Order 86/2016 of 21 December issued by the Regional Ministry of Education, Research, Culture and Sport, approving the regulatory framework for the award of grants under the Programme for the Promotion of Scientific Research, Technological Development and Innovation in the Valencian Community, the AVAP has assessed a total of **1,613** applications distributed across the following calls for proposals:

- Grants for the recruitment of pre-doctoral research staff (ACIF): **349 applications**
- Grants for the promotion and revitalisation of science parks (PPC): **41 applications**
- Grants for the recruitment of support staff linked to a technology transfer project (APOTIP): **19 applications**
- Grants for placements of postdoctoral research staff in companies in the Valencian Community (AEST): **52 applications**
- Grants for securing European projects or other international programmes (APE): **28 applications**
- Grants for organising and publicising international scientific, technological, humanities or arts conferences, symposia and meetings (AORG): **120 applications.**
- Grants for the recruitment of postdoctoral research staff (APOSTD): **258 applications.**
- Grants for pre-doctoral research fellows to undertake placements at research centres outside the Valencian Community (BEFPI): **92 applications**
- Grants for stays by PhD-holding research staff at research centres based outside the Valencian Community (BEST): **175 applications.**
- Grants under the Santiago Grisolí programme: **165 applications.**
- Grants for R&D&I projects carried out by emerging research groups (GV): **157 applications (project evaluation)**
- Grants for R&D&I projects carried out by emerging research groups (GV): **157 applications (assessment of the incorporation of the gender perspective)**

1.2 EVALUATIONS OF RESEARCH PROJECTS IN THE FIELD OF PUBLIC ECONOMICS

The Regional Ministry of Finance and Economic Policy has entrusted AVAP with the evaluation of applications submitted under ORDER 2/2019 of 7 February of the Regional Ministry of Finance and Economic Policy, which approves the regulatory framework for the award of grants intended to support research groups in public economics at research centres in the Valencian Community.

A total of **four applications** were received and have been assessed by an ad hoc committee of experts; the assessment reports were submitted to the Regional Ministry of Finance and Economic Model in October.

1.3 EVALUATIONS OF EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO THE CALL FOR PROPOSALS FROM AGENTS WITHIN THE VALENCIAN COMMUNITY'S INNOVATION SYSTEM FOR

SCIENTIFIC AND INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS IDENTIFIED WITHIN THE VALENCIAN SYSTEM FOR THE FIGHT AGAINST COVID-19, THROUGH THE REGIONAL MINISTRY FOR INNOVATION, UNIVERSITIES, SCIENCE AND THE DIGITAL SOCIETY

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On 30 March 2020, the Valencian Regional Government, through the Regional Ministry of Innovation, Universities, Science and the Digital Society, launched an urgent call for stakeholders in the Valencian Community's Innovation System to propose innovative solutions in the fight against the coronavirus. Once the deadline for submitting applications had passed, in accordance with the rules and criteria set out in Title IV of Law 2/2009 of 14 April on the coordination of the Valencian scientific research and technological development system, the proposals submitted by entities within the Valencian Innovation System (SVI) were assessed by a committee of external specialists through the Valencian Agency for Assessment and Foresight (AVAP). The total number of projects reviewed by AVAP was **460** (2 reviewers for 230 different projects).