

行政院國家科學委員會組織條例

Organization Act of the National Science Council of the Executive Yuan

This Act containing fourteen articles in its entirety was enacted by the Legislative Yuan on January 11, 1972, and promulgated by Presidential order on January 18, 1972.

This Act containing twenty-two articles in its entirety was amended on April 20, 1982 and promulgated on April 30, 1982.

Article 1: The Executive Yuan has established the National Science Council for the purpose of strengthening the development of scientific and technological research.

Article 2: The National Science Council consists of the following departments:

1. Department of Natural Sciences
2. Department of Engineering and Applied Sciences
3. Department of Life Sciences
4. Department of Humanities and Social Sciences
5. Department of Science Education
6. Department of International Cooperation
7. Department of Central Processing
8. Department of Planning and Evaluation
9. The Secretariat

Article 3: The Department of Natural Sciences is charged with the following tasks:

1. Planning, promoting, guiding, and coordinating the research and development of the natural sciences and mathematics.
2. Reviewing proposals and subsidizing projects in the research and development of the natural sciences and mathematics.
3. Cultivating, recruiting, and awarding personnel in the fields of the natural sciences.
4. Establishing a domestic research environment for the natural sciences.

Article 4: The Department of Engineering and Applied Sciences is charged with the following tasks:

1. Planning, promoting, guiding, and coordinating the research and development of engineering and applied sciences.
2. Reviewing proposals and subsidizing projects in the research and development of engineering and applied sciences.
3. Cultivating, recruiting, and awarding engineering personnel.

4. Developing domestic engineering technology.

Article 5: The Department of Life Sciences is charged with the following tasks:

1. Planning, promoting, guiding, and coordinating the research and development of biological science and technology.
2. Planning, promoting, guiding, and coordinating the research and development of medical and pharmaceutical science and technology.
3. Planning, promoting, guiding, and coordinating the research and development of agricultural science and technology.
4. Reviewing proposals and subsidizing projects in the research and development of biology, medicine, pharmacy, and agriculture.
5. Cultivating, recruiting, and awarding scientific and technological personnel in the fields of biology, medicine, pharmacy, and agriculture.

Article 6: The Department of Humanities and Social Sciences is charged with the following tasks:

1. Planning, promoting, guiding, and coordinating the research and development of the humanities.
2. Planning, promoting, guiding, and coordinating the research and development of social sciences.
3. Reviewing proposals and subsidizing projects in the research and development of the humanities and social sciences.
4. Cultivating, recruiting, and awarding research personnel in the fields of the humanities and social sciences.

Article 7: The Department of Science Education is charged with the following tasks:

1. Planning, promoting, guiding, and coordinating the research and development of science education.
2. Reviewing grant proposals and subsidizing projects in the research and development of science education.
3. Researching, guiding, and promoting science education for all citizens.
4. Publishing the *Science Development* monthly publication, scientific compilations, and other scientific publications.

Article 8: The Department of International Cooperation is charged with the following tasks:

1. Planning, promoting, and coordinating scientific and technological cooperation at international levels.
2. Handling matters pertaining to international academic conferences.
3. Coordinating and maintaining contact with overseas science and technology divisions.
4. Recruiting and maintaining contact with overseas scholars.

Article 9: The Department of Central Processing is charged with the following tasks:

1. Overall planning for the recruitment of visiting research professors and experts.

2. Training, building up, and selecting scientific and technological personnel for advanced studies abroad, and the overall planning thereof.
3. Planning the overall process of reviewing and subsidizing research projects proposed by various institutions and universities.
4. Processing matters concerning patent rights that have resulted from scientific and technological research and development.
5. Performing centralized administrative tasks outside the functions of other departments or offices.

Article 10: The Department of Planning and Evaluation is charged with the following tasks:

1. Planning, promoting, guiding, and coordinating the nation's scientific and technological research and development.
2. Assessing and evaluating the nation's scientific and technological research and development.
3. Planning, managing, and supervising the establishment of science parks.
4. Planning and evaluating the collection, exchange, and administration of scientific and technological information.
5. Planning and evaluating the development and usage of advanced scientific instrumentation.
6. Formulating guidelines and plans on the National Science Council's administrative policies.

Article 11: The Secretariat is charged with handling documents, meetings, official seals, treasury matters, general affairs, public relations, and matters outside the functions of other departments or offices.

Article 12: A Minister of special appointment rank is charged with the overall affairs of the National Science Council. He/she is assisted by two or three Deputy Ministers of official rank equivalent to the 14th grade of civil servants. The eight to fourteen Members of the National Science Council are all appointed by the Executive Yuan, and serve a term of three years without remuneration.

Article 13: A regular monthly Council Meeting is convened by the National Science Council and chaired by the Minister. If the Minister is unable to attend for any reason, he/she shall designate a Deputy Minister to chair the meeting on his/her behalf. An emergency Council Meeting may be convened whenever necessary.

Article 14: The National Science Council consists of one to three counselors, one chief secretary, eight directors, and three to five senior specialists, all of official rank between the 10th and 12th grades of civil servants; one office director and eight deputy directors of official rank between the 9th and 11th grades; two to four secretaries and one or two editors of the 6th to 9th grades, but may include one secretary and one editor of the 10th or 11th grade; twelve to

twenty section chiefs and six to eighteen specialists of the 6th to 9th grades; fourteen to twenty-two officers and ten to eighteen clerks of the 3rd to 5th grades, but may include six officers of the 6th or 7th grade; and ten to sixteen associate clerks of the 1st to 3rd grades.

Article 15: The Personnel Office and the Accounting Office, each headed by a director of official rank between the 6th and 9th grades of civil servants, are separately responsible for handling matters pertaining to personnel management, annual budgets, accounting, and statistics, in accordance with law.

The number of personnel required for the offices mentioned in the preceding Paragraph are subject to the maximum quota prescribed within this Act.

Article 16: The appointment of personnel to the positions specified in Articles 14 and 15 above shall be made in accordance with the civil service position classification laws and the classification system manual, for performance of duties in the categories of general administrative management, general education administration, general engineering, physics, chemistry, geology, meteorology, administrative management, accounting, statistics, personnel administration, and other relevant areas.

Article 17: The National Science Council may, with the approval of the Executive Yuan, employ researchers, associate researchers, and assistant researchers as needed for the expansion of scientific and technological efforts, and for the review and guidance of research projects.

Article 18: The National Science Council may appoint advisors as needed for the performance of its functions.

Article 19: The National Science Council may establish various types of committees as needed for the performance of its functions.

Members of the committees mentioned in the preceding Paragraph are appointed by recommendation of the Minister and approval of the Council Meeting. A committee member serves a term of three years without remuneration and is eligible for reappointment. The manpower needed for the committees are transferred within the personnel quota prescribed in this Act.

Article 20: In consideration of operational needs, the National Science Council has established the Science Park Administration. The organization of the Science Park Administration is stipulated by law.

Article 21: The regulations governing meetings of the National Science Council and duties of the departments shall be drafted by the National Science Council

and submitted to the Executive Yuan for approval.

Article 22: This Act shall come into effect upon the date of promulgation.