



**IROST Ministry of Science, Research and Technology**  
**Iranian Research Organization for Science and Technology (IROST)**  
**Khwarizmi International Award (KIA)**  
**Guidelines for Application Submission**  
**Foreign Section**

## **Guidelines for Application**

Candidates are kindly invited to review the following points:

### **Application Conditions:**

- The Khwarizmi International Award (KIA) is open to individuals and anyone is welcome to participate or nominate someone.
  - Receiving previous awards does not disqualify an applicant from eligibility for the KIA.
  - All application documents must be submitted via the online application portal.
  - The KIA secretariat reserves the right to publish abstracts of any winning submissions, along with the name and biography of the laureates, on the official website and KIA publications.
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### **Iranian Scientists Residing Abroad:**

Iranian scientists residing abroad are encouraged to submit their applications under the foreign section at <https://kharizmi.ir/kia/>.

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### **Nationality:**

Candidates with multiple nationalities should select only one; this will be the nationality listed and published in the award.

## Steps to Register:

- Visit the KIA website: <https://kharizmi.ir/kia/>
  - Click on: **Online Application**
  - Click on **Register**.
  - Fill out the registration form.
  - Click on **Register** to confirm your registration.
  - At the end of registration process, you will receive an automated notification stating: **“Congratulations! Your registration is now successful.”**
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## Steps to Log in:

If you are ready to submit your research work:

- Log in using your email address (as your username) and password.
  - Enter your username (email) and password.
  - Click **Next** to proceed to the section related to your research work.
  - Use **Save & Log out** to return later if needed.
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## Acknowledgement of Receipt

- Upon submission, you will receive an automated confirmation email.
  - If you do not receive a confirmation email, please email us at: [kharizmi@irost.org](mailto:kharizmi@irost.org)
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## Application Submission:

- The application, including all attachments, must be submitted **in English**.
- You do not need to complete the application in a single session; you can start and save your progress at any time, and complete it before the submission deadline using your username and password (see key deadlines and extended dates).

## **Research Description:**

- Keep the abstract within 150 characters.
  - Research projects still in development and not yet implemented are not eligible.
  - The description of your research should cover:
    - the subject,
    - the aim,
    - the process and steps taken until completion,
    - the results, and
    - the current status of the research.
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## **Attachments (Annexes)**

- To preview the required annexes, please refer to the **Application Preview** file at <https://ka.irost.org/en/>.
  - Before submission, create a ZIP file containing all annexes.
  - Applications with incomplete or insufficient annexes will not be processed.
  - All annexes must be provided in English.
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## **Contact Information**

Providing a precise contact address, including **at least two email addresses**, is mandatory for further communication.

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## **Deadline:**

Applications received after the deadline will not be processed.

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## **Evaluation:**

Submissions will be evaluated by the KIA Scientific Committees.

## **For Further Inquiries:**

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## **KIA Research Work Categories:**

### **1. Fundamental Research**

Fundamental research aims to develop new understanding of core scientific principles and underlying mechanisms at the forefront of knowledge. It involves exploring theories and concepts without immediate commercial application, with the goal of expanding knowledge. Outcomes that contribute to reputable publications in well-regarded national and international scientific journals tend to be highly valued.

### **2. Invention and Innovation**

Invention involves the creation of new devices, methods, or processes that have not existed before. Innovation, on the other hand, refers to the development and application of these inventions or original ideas to create meaningful improvements, solutions, or advancements. Research in this category focuses on generating novel concepts and transforming them into practical, valuable contributions that can benefit society, industry, or technology.

### **3. Applied Research**

Applied research is focused on developing practical solutions and technological innovations for real-world problems. It follows a systematic methodology to ensure that results are feasible, implementable, and valuable in practical settings. Additionally, such research must be validated and approved by reputable authorities or experts before deployment.