INTRODUCTION

The UNIKO mission as defined in its status emphasis the creation, transmission, development and protection of knowledge through teaching, scientific research and services. This mission is accomplished through elaboration and implementation of policies, principles and procedures that supervise the financial and logistical support that UNIKO offers to its academic units. For this reason, the main aim of UNIKO supporting research structures is focused on the creation of institutional research mechanisms related to well-defined programs, clear priorities, and involvement of academic staff in quality research activities, without avoiding elements of the scientific product, publications, partnerships, marketing and services to third parties. The Scientific Research at UNIKO is based on standards defined by the European Research Area.

The main aim of responsible structures for academic research at institutional and academic level is reflected in the growth and consolidation of:

- Human resources
- Research Infrastructure
- Regional and international cooperation
- Relations to economy and society

The scientific research work is also promoted through periodic activities, scientific conferences, promotional posters, and by increasing interdisciplinary research. The scientific research is based on quality standards and tries to increase the research culture which will lead to the creation of research centers. Another important strategic objective is the establishment of an Innovation Center, which will serve as a cornerstone for scientific innovation, tracing new ideas, contemporary technologies, spin-offs and a tendency to connect with industry and research marketing.