

Leiden Law School Research Assessment Exercise Interim Round December 2020

The Leiden Law School Research Assessment Framework (RAF) is composed of two parts (A and B):

(A) the LLS Research Assessment Guidelines which offer the substantive norms and guidelines as to how to measure individual research output (document A), and

*(B) the LLS Research Assessment Exercise which explains the procedure of application (document B, **this document**).*

In addition to periodic research assessment, researchers are expected to apply to a Research Programme with a view to becoming Fellow of that Research Programme (C):

(C) The procedure to be admitted to a Research Programme and thus to become a Fellow of that Research Programme is laid down in: the Fellowship Application Procedure (document C).

NB: The Research Assessment Framework concerns a retrospective exercise, whereas the fellowship application is forward-looking in nature.

Document B: LLS Research Assessment Exercise: Assessing Individual Research Output Interim Round

The assessment of individual research output takes place every three years via the Research Assessment Exercise. The next general assessment Exercise will take place in 2022, covering calendar years 2019, 2020 and 2021. The goal of the general assessment round is to determine whether the researcher qualifies for the fellowship, on the basis of research output provided in web-based formats and according to the set requirements, and to which Faculty research programme the researcher is affiliated. The Faculty Research Board, consisting of all Programme Coordinators, leads the process.

The Interim Round is meant to provide the opportunity for newly appointed or recently PhD graduates to enter one or two of the Research Programmes, in which their research will be conducted. Also, the Interim Round following a general assessment round, is used for those that still need to qualify. They will submit their application online.

For the Interim Round the Research Board invites you to submit an application complete with a research plan showing how your research will contribute to the Faculty Research Program of your choice.

The Program Coordinator of the programme(s) that you apply for will decide to either accept you in the Programme, or get in contact with you about your plans in relation to the programme's content.

In the next general assessment all researchers at the faculty will apply for Fellowship based on the individual research output over the years 2019-2021, or, if applicable from the moment of employment or PhD defence.

As the Research Assessment is linked to the departmental R&O assessment and cycle, it is advised to synchronize both procedures time wise.

In view of the monitoring function of the Research Board it is not considered appropriate that the position of PC is combined with that of academic director or head of department.