

Editorial

Every year, CNPq and CAPES are regularly opened to receive proposals with the goal to finance the editing of Brazilian scientific publications. Last year, we were surprised by the increase in resources, which was 20% higher than in previous years – reaching the amount of R\$ 6.000.000,00 (six million reais); 50% came from CNPq and 50%, from CAPES.

We must recognize the efforts of sponsoring agencies.

As the editor of a human sciences publication that has been issued for seven years, I know, from the agencies, about the technical criteria used to grant or not to grant resources to Brazilian scientific magazines, even when those are described in open programs. For example, at the end of this year of 2010, there was the collaboration of a commission chosen by the CNPq and Capes, like in previous years, of the highest academic qualification, unquestionable principle. However, this might bring some doubts about the way classified publications were selected or not, when we think about the time spent to go through the process, considering the number of financing requests from different editors of Brazilian magazines, and the number of members in the evaluation commission who, as mentioned, have unquestionable scientific knowledge.

From the opening of MCT/CNPq/MEC/CAPES invitation n° 68/2010, on October 25, 2010, until its end, on December 8, 2010, it is reasonable that we, as editors, sent our proposals. I would like to encourage the readers of this invitation to think about the short time dismissed to evaluate the proposals, because on December 20, “already”, exactly 12 days after the end of the period, the result was available on the website of CNPq, with a resource of R\$ 6.000.000,00 (six million reais) – 50% from CNPq and 50% from CAPES – distributed among the proposals of approved publications. Our magazine, once again, was not selected, after the dedication and work of an editor who has been all over scientific editing policies, who has humbly presented strategies to form new Brazilian scientific editors, who has been an unconditional partner of the biggest associations of Brazilian scientific editors, like the

Brazilian Association of Scientific Editors (ABEC, acronym in Portuguese), and the Brazilian Association of Scientific Editors in Psychology (ABECIP, acronym in Portuguese), from which this editor was its founding member and first president.

Acting on the qualification of other psychologists and Psychology students, who are interested in scientific editing and ethics in the publication in many regional, national and international congresses, I have been frequently invited to give speeches, mini-courses and to participate in regional, national and international seminars.

Such ideas must be considered (if other Brazilian editors, from different fields of science, haven't done it yet), because the answer I received for the financing request – regarding the invitation of CNPq for the *Mental* magazine of the Psychology courses in *Universidade Presidente Antônio Carlos* (UNIPAC) – is incipient to explain the denial of resources. However, we are optimistic as to the survival of the publication, because we know about its contribution for researchers of the mental health field, especially psychologists and future psychologists. We still have all the financial difficulties that universities have been facing throughout the years, and we are anxiously waiting for a new government to take place next year. We hope that academic policies get stronger. Meanwhile, UNIPAC, which never gets tired of its commitment to work with quality, insists on keeping its contribution for the development of research in its scientific production and communication, working with other academic institutions and committing to the development of science and Brazilian technology.

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