## The role of university research entities in increasing university scientific research performance

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Universities represent important components of the national systems of research, development and innovation (RDI), ranging among the factors with a high research potential (Brătianu C. Ş. and others, 2007). The research activity in the universities involves firstly the teachers, but also the students, the PhD students and other categories of staff, while their scientific research is governed by the national laws and internal regulations. The increase in the role of research, development and innovation, in the present-day context of a society in development, characterized by quick rhythms of change, fierce competition, globalization and other phenomena with visible effects on the quality of the economic and social life, has required the development of the scientific and technological potential of the universities, especially the improvement of the performance in university scientific research.

Thus, the organizational frame of scientific research is one of the elements in the management system which depend on the performance of scientific research in universities. As in any field of activity, the management of scientific research undertaken in universities refers to the human factor and assume the establishment of the positions and departments involved in university research as well as the links between them. The analysis of the current situation regarding the forms of management of university scientific research reflects a diversity of solutions. In this study, the authors propose an analysis of the current research entities in universities.