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Master Information Technology Guidelines: Preparing the Project Proposal

Check List:

- **Project Topic and Title:** Clearly defined topic, short title.
- **Participants:** Members of the project team, team leader.
- Abstract: The abstract should give a short summary of the proposed project. Should include: problem description, methodologies used, expected results.
- Statement of the Problem: Questions that will be answered, expected contributions to the research area.
- **Objectives:** Explicit decription of the expected results and goals, considering the limited time frame.
- **Motivation:** What makes this project interesting and especially attractive?
- Introduction and Background: Short introduction to the project area, including a background discussion.
- **Related Work:** Discussion of related research results, influence on the current project.
- **Project Plan, Technical Details and Schedule (Timeline):** Detailed description of the research/development plan. Must include clearly defined and scheduled subtasks, needed resources, and milestones (weeks, days), e.g. using a GANTT chart. Ways to periodically monitor the progress of the project.

• Deliverables:

Definition of the project objectives, the products and/or services that will be developed. The deliverables must be verifiable.

• Resources Required:

Includes needed hardware and software, development systems, test equipment, estimated costs and availability, suppliers.

- Evaluation: How will the result be evaluated?
- References:

Complete list of references to the material used to prepare the proposal.

• Format of the Proposal: Page size of A4, white paper, A font size of 11 to 12 (Time New Roman or Arial) with 1 to 1.5 line spacing. Margins of 2.4 cm. Pages should be stapled, not bound.

Academic Integrity and Plagiarism:

All proposals, reports and further documents must be accompanied by a declaration of acknowledgement, indicating that the submitted work is the author's own product which is appropriately referenced.