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**Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC)  
OAPEC AWARD FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH FOR THE YEAR 2026**

**In the Field of  
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I, the undersigned:

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In line with OAPEC’s policy to encourage scientific research by awarding two prizes on a biennial basis (**First Prize** KD 10000 equivalent to USD \$32000, **Second Prize** KD 7000 equivalent to USD \$22000). **The Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC)** is pleased to announce that **the research field** selected for the “OAPEC Award for Scientific Research for the Year 2026” is:

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## Research Field:

Support units form the backbone of refining and petrochemical operations, providing essential services to ensure business continuity and maintain safety and environmental compliance. In modern refineries, these facilities represent a significant portion of operating expenses and energy consumption and play a crucial role in carbon emission reduction and energy efficiency strategies.

The submitted research may address one or more topics, including but not limited to:

1. **Storage and distribution systems, and inventory management that provide secure storage for crude oil and finished products.**
2. **Oil and petroleum product pipeline systems.**
3. **Flare gas recovery systems.**
4. **Fuel, power generation, and electrical systems.**
5. **Water and wastewater treatment systems.**
6. **Hydrogen management systems.**
7. **Digitalization, control, and IT infrastructure.**

## Research Submission Requirements

1. The research may be submitted by one or more individuals; however, legal entities are not eligible.
2. The submitted research must be new. It must not have been published or received any award from any Arab or foreign body in the past. Submissions that have been presented for the award of any academic degree are not accepted.
3. The research must provide recommendations that are applicable and contribute to providing benefit to the energy industry in the Member Countries.
4. Research that relies on innovative laboratory work is given preferential marks in the evaluation.
5. The author of the research agrees in advance to grant the organization the copyright of his work in the event that he wins one of the two aforementioned awards, while retaining all his rights to the research. The Secretariat General has the right to print and publish the winning research according to what it deems appropriate.
6. The researcher adheres to the principles of citation in accordance with the standards of scientific and academic research.
7. An electronic version of the research- in both PDF and WORD format- should be submitted to the award's email address: [oapecaward@oapecorg.org](mailto:oapecaward@oapecorg.org)
8. The research can be submitted in either Arabic or English.
9. The participating researcher shall submit a summary of his academic and professional qualifications, in a separate file.
10. Participating research works must be submitted no later than the **end of May 2027**. After that date, no research will be accepted for the purpose of the award.
11. Researchers of all nationalities are welcome to participate in the award.
12. The award will not be granted to the same researcher twice in a row.
13. The research work must not contain any references or phrases indicating the researcher's name, workplace, or domicile.
14. Any research work that does not meet the requirements mentioned in the OAPEC Award Guide for Applicants will be ignored.
15. For more details, please refer to Award Guide for Applicants through QR.



Researchers will be notified by the OAPEC Secretariat of the Award Committee's decision. The winners will be officially announced at the end of OAPEC's Ministerial Council meeting in 2027.

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