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This policy, devised by the Management of the CLPU and approved by the Executive Commission, aims to establish guidelines for action for the establishment of an access system to the scientific and technological facilities that is clear, simple and effective that:

-  Ensures the compliance with the goals for which the Consortium was created.
-  Ensures the safety and integrity of the facilities and personnel.
-  Ensures the concession of access to the proposals of higher quality, according to criteria such as scientific excellence, opportunity, innovative potential, technological transfer, potential social-economic impact, availability of resources, technical feasibility and goal fulfilment of the CLPU.
-  Ensures the selection of projects that can be executed within the limits of the planned budget (specially in the case of nationally or internationally funded accesses).
-  Ensures the optimization of use of the available resources.

Taking into account the idiosyncrasy of the CLPU as reference laboratory in Spain of pulsed femtoseconds lasers with peak power of Gigawatts, Terawatts and Petawatts, its initial basic objectives are:

-  Provide the users with a series of equipment with beams, experimental stations and detection systems.
-  Provide with technical and scientific support upon request of the users.
-  Carry out prospective studies and design of advanced experimental set-ups.
-  Seek the highest possible impact scenarios.
-  Train personnel that can make advance the science of intense lasers in the country.
-  Create synergies and support other laser facilities of a lesser power that may be developed in Spain.
-  Open the use of the ultra-short lasers to new fields, especially those in which its use may be groundbreaking and open new ways.

This policy applies to all the laser systems, main and secondary sources, experimental set-ups, microscopy equipment and auxiliary workshops, and in general to all the equipment of the CLPU that may be used by the users.

On the basis of current European, national and regional policies defined in the field of scientific research, technological development and innovation, the **lines of research that tackle the challenges facing present-day society** will be preferably taken into account. Also, research related to the industry and enterprise and that allows for a fast **technological transfer** will be given priority.

The Access policy establishes, as a general rule, a **Competitive Access** supervised by the Access Committee, and a **Non-Competitive Access**, especially in case of industrial and strategic proposals.