



What Is SCORES?

The Scientific Comprehensive Online Research and Evaluation System (SCORES®) software is a collection of modern web applications created by AIBS for scientific proposal submission and review projects as managed by AIBS SPARS®.

The software has supported some of the world's largest research funding organizations by providing electronic reviews in both virtual and onsite peer review meetings. Using SCORES, AIBS staff are able to structure, manage, and document each step of the submission and review process. Like all AIBS software, SCORES follows industry best practices for security and data redundancy.

SCORES is comprised of four principal modules: Solicitations, Projects, Contracts, and Reviews.

SCORES Solicitations

The *Solicitations* module is a **submission portal for a wide range of research funding documentation** (e.g., letters of intent, proposals, progress reports).

AIBS customizes the appearance and branding for each client (e.g., logos, fonts, colors, format). AIBS staff develop the structure and layout of portals to customize base submission fields, attachments, blinded material submission (e.g., letters of recommendation) and approvals. Portals can be open to the public or invite only via email.

SCORES Projects

The *Projects* module is the **main database and management portal for review projects**. It houses all project data, panel information, proposal data, and people records.

In this module, AIBS staff develop the format of a review process (e.g., client-specific review evaluation forms) and set up controlled access to interfaces and content (e.g., reviewer-specific panel and review assignments) based on roles and progression in the review process. *Contracts* (next section) is managed and tracked in the *Projects* module.

SCORES Contracts

The *Contracts* module allows reviewers to complete **electronic, legally binding agreements**, including agreements on confidentiality, code of conduct, and honorarium acceptance (if applicable).

Contracts also includes program-specific conflict of interest criteria for both the overall program and for specific projects as needed. Reviewers are able to assess conflicts of interest as well as their expertise at the individual proposal level.

SCORES Reviews

The *Reviews* module is the interactive interface **where reviews are submitted and accessed** throughout the review process. Reviewers have secure, personalized logins with dashboards that display their assigned work, progress, and deadlines in a clear, organized fashion. This module allows for **secure review material distribution**. Reviewers can download proposals as well as any reference material (RFPs, instructions, etc.) right from their dashboard.

Reviews also **supports meeting documentation and structure**. Review panels can access submitted critiques, enter discussion scores, and record comments during discussion. With controlled permissions, individuals are able to monitor inputs and track progress of proceedings. An additional key feature of the *Reviews* module is the Editing interface that allows streamlined and expedited report preparation.

With their own login, **clients can monitor review progress**, access synopses of scoring data, as well as view real-time notification of the discussions underway.

Key Advantages of SCORES

- ✓ **Customizable submission and review platforms.**
- ✓ **Initiative, secure, and easy to use for applicants and reviewers - fully web-based.**
- ✓ **AIBS peer review management expertise.**

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