

# Early Realization of Scientific Goals in Iran Twenty Years Plan

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In this paper, performance of Iranian researchers as shown by the latest information gathered from the scientific data base published by Scopus during the recent years, is examined and compared with those of several neighboring countries in particular with Turkey and some of the advanced countries. The results of this investigation indicates that in 2011, Iran with 34055 scientific documents ranked eighteen world wise while Turkey with 31,150 scientific documents ranked nineteen behind Iran. In 2011, Iran held the first rank in the region in production of scientific documents in accordance with Scopus data base.

In addition, when we consider total number of published scientific documents world wise in 2011 in which the ratio of population of each country to the total world population is also taken into consideration, Iran with a ratio of 1/42 as compared with 1/29 for Turkey, ranked higher and as such is considered to be in a superior scientific position in the region. This position has continued to be maintained in 2012 and has even reached a higher standing.

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