

## Individual evaluation report of the application for provision of the funds of the Facility

### Component 9 More efficient governance and strengthening RDI funding

#### A. Project identification

<b>Call</b>	Fellowships for excellent researchers R2--R4
<b>Code of the call</b>	09I03-03-V04
<b>Code of the application</b>	
<b>Applicant</b>	

#### B. Evaluation criteria

<b>Excellence</b>	<i>0 – 5</i> <i>(threshold- 3/5)</i>
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*Evaluation of the individual aspects in this criterion:*

*The quality and adequacy of the proposed objectives of the project.*

- Project objectives are clearly defined, realistic, measurable and achievable within the implementation. It is indicated how each objective will be verified and evaluated. Objectives are relevant and consistent with the objectives of the call.

*Relevance of the problems/needs the project is focused on.*

- Project identifies problems and challenges it aims to address. It is necessary and appropriate to implement the project.

*How the project goes beyond the currently available solutions, procedures, etc. (“beyond the state of the art”).*

- Planned activities of the project are appropriate and necessary for the solution of the identified problem/challenges, they go beyond existing solutions; new concepts, procedures, services, cooperation, etc. are emerging. Project responds to the described challenges. There is synergy with similar or related projects. Expected results and benefits of the project are appropriate.
- Link between the project and its activities with the European Research Area.

*Appropriateness, timeliness and relevance of the proposed methodology to the objectives of the project.*

- Overall concept of the project – realization of individual R&I activities, and potential weaknesses. Assessment of methodology and procedures used in each activity and their interconnectedness. Concepts, models, assumptions underlying the proposed project methodology are appropriate and feasible.
- Proposed methods and procedures will ensure the achievement of the project’s objectives.
- Challenges in the implementation of the project in relation to the methodology and the proposed way to overcome them are appropriate.

- Assessment of the use and management of research data and other research outputs within the project - if the project collects data and/or other research outputs (except publications), how the data/outputs of the research will be managed is indicated. Assessment how open science principles are integrated in the project.
- Assessment how the following aspects are taken into account in the project: multi- and interdisciplinary approach, principles of open science, FAIR access to research data, gender equality in research.

*The quality and adequacy of the researcher's professional experience, expertise, competencies and skills.*

- Assessment of quality based on his/her CV and against characteristic of the given category (R2 – R4)

*The quality and adequacy of the host organization in relation to the project and the researcher.*

- Assessment of the excellence of the applicant
- Described comparative advantage of implementing project within the given host organisation and why is the applicant the ideal hosting organisation

*The quality and adequacy of the conditions that the host organisation will ensure and provide for the researcher (e.g., additional training, supervision/mentoring, possibilities to build its own research team, etc.).*

- Conditions that the host organisation will create and provide for the researcher for the implementation of the project (in case of supervision/mentoring assessment of the person of supervisor/mentor and his/her quality and relevance)
- Conditions the researcher will be provided with to build his/her own team (particularly relevant for R3 and R4 researchers' categories).

*The quality of two-way knowledge transfer between the researcher and the host organization.*

- Described quality of two-way knowledge transfer between the researcher and the host organization

**Impact**

0 – 5  
(threshold- 3/5)

*Evaluation of the individual aspects in this criterion:*

*The credibility of the proposed procedures, the likelihood that the project will achieve the expected results and will have the expected impact.*

- Assessment of the expected impact of the project in the medium and long term.
- Assessment of the wider impact of the project, what the implementation of the project will have beyond its direct focus and after completion of its implementation.
- Assessment of the potential negative impact of the project and the proposed measures to eliminate/minimise it.

*The assumption of a positive impact on the further career of the researcher, the assumption of a positive impact on the applicant/host organization.*

- Assessment of impact of project implementation on the researcher's further career and the development of his/her skills.
- Assessment of impact of the project implementation on the applicant/host organisation

*The significance of the expected impact – on the given area of knowledge and the scientific community, on the economy, on society, on the environment.*

- Individual target groups that will benefit from the activities and fulfilment of the project objectives are identified, the impact of the project on these groups is described.
- Assessment of the direct and relevant scientific, economic, environmental, societal impact of the project (or any other impact, if relevant).

*Adequacy of expected results and impacts of the project – qualitative and quantitative.*

- Assessment of the specific expected results and impacts of the project activities (qualitative and quantitative), which will bring significant and direct benefits measurable within the monitored data.
- Monitored data may include, for example:
  - number of excellent students, doctoral candidates and researchers implementing the project;
  - number of patent applications
  - number of publications
  - number of collaborations (international, private sector, application sphere)
  - other
- The basis on which the estimate, benchmarks, statistical data, etc. were made is described and appropriate.
- The potential obstacles to the research and innovation activities of the project, the conditions (e.g. legislative, competitive environment or others that go beyond the scope and duration of the project) that may affect the desired results and impact are described. It is identified whether these factors can evolve over time and the ways to address them. *(This does not include the risks of project implementation, which will be described in section 3).*

*The appropriateness and quality of the proposed measures to maximize the results and impact of the project.*

- Assessment of tools and measures to maximise the impact of the results and outputs of the project activities, it is described what communication and sharing tools will be used, list of the planned communication activities and target groups that will be targeted during and after the project is included.
- It is described how technology transfer, commercialisation of project outputs, etc. will be ensured.
- Measures to exploit the results of the project after its completion, measures for the use of research data and other research outputs after the completion of the project implementation, measures for the use of the research infrastructure after completion of the project, if the project concerned investment in research infrastructure are described.

*The quality of the proposed IPR management strategy for project results (if relevant).*

- Strategy for managing intellectual property rights in relation to the results of the project is described, protection and the possibility of commercial use will be ensured, it is described what requirements need to be met for the results of the project to be exploited and how applicant intend to meet these conditions.

**Implementation**

0 – 5  
(threshold- 3/5)

*Evaluation of the individual aspects in this criterion:*

*Quality and efficiency of the project plan, feasibility of planned activities.*

- Assessment of overall structure of the project plan, which consists of individual work packages, their interconnectedness, logical and time sequence. Project timeline is available – number of months of the project implementation is identified.

*The coherence and logical framework of the work packages and the adequacy of the allocated resources, the adequacy of the proposed milestones and deliverables.*

- Assessment of the division of the project into work packages and their justification, the list of all work packages and their timeline is identified. The number of work packages should be appropriate to the scope and complexity of the project.
- Assessment of milestones – milestones should be defined for the whole implementation period, they should be appropriate, feasible and verifiable.
- Assessment of deliverables (each work package must have at least one deliverable) - relevant for project objectives, quantifiable, verifiable, feasible. Inclusion of the mandatory deliverables: Interim report on the implementation; Final report on the achievements of the project; Researcher’s publications in scientific and/or professional journals; Outputs in the conference proceedings with the active participation of the researcher; Submission/award of a research project(s)/grant(s) with the involvement of the researcher.
- Adequacy of the allocated resources - assessment of the number of person months per work package and per activities and their consistency with the objectives, outcomes and deliverables of the project, effectiveness and necessity of the proposed costs for the implementation of the project.

*Estimation of implementation risks, quality of proposed measures.*

- Assessment of the applicant’s approach to risk management in the implementation of the project and implementation risks mitigation.

*Capacities (personnel, professional, technical, infrastructure, other) of the applicant/host organisation.*

- Assessment of the capacities (staff, professional, technical, infrastructure and others) of the applicant/host organisation that are necessary for the successful implementation of the project. Assessment of their relevance to the project and how they will be made available to the researcher or how the access to them will be ensured during the implementation of the project.
- Assessment based on research/innovation infrastructure available to the applicant; five most important previous projects of the applicant; previous deliverables, which are relevant to the submitted project.

### **C. Evaluation result**

**Overall score**

**0 - 15**

**Justification:**

*Brief justification for the overall evaluation of the application:*

**Strengths:**

**Weaknesses:**

<b>D. Additional questions</b>		
Is the researcher's category R2/R3/R4 <sup>1</sup> classified correctly?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no
If no, please specify:		
Does the declared type of research correspond to the proposed project activities?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no
If no, please specify:		

<b>E. Identification of evaluator</b>	
<b>Evaluator</b>	<i>title, name, surname</i>
<b>Date</b>	

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<sup>1</sup> Definition of categories R2- R4 according to European framework for research careers - <https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/europe/career-development/training-researchers/research-profiles-descriptors>