**SPECIAL RESEARCH FUND ANNOUNCEMENT 2024**

**DOCTORAL GRANTS FOR CANDIDATES FROM**

**DEVELOPING COUNTRIES**

**South-North “Sandwich”- type grants**

*Please consult the document “Announcement and application information”*

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| **Title of the doctoral research** |  |
| **Ghent University supervisor** |  |
| **Candidate & country** |  |
| **Enclosures** |  |
| *To be sent by the Ghent University supervisor* | □ [Advice on the candidate](https://www.ugent.be/nl/onderzoek/financiering/bof/dos/adviespromotor.doc/view)  □ [Advice on the ethical and biosafety context](https://www.ugent.be/nl/onderzoek/financiering/bof/ethics/ethics-questionnaire.pdf/view) □ favourable ethical recommendations or evidence of a bio-safety file (if available)(See: <https://www.ugent.be/en/research/funding/bof/dos/docos.htm>) |
| *To be sent by the candidate* | □ Statement of the partner university concerning guarantees on the PhD work at the partner university, the mobility scheme and the financial support at the partner university□ Copies diplomas[[1]](#footnote-1) and transcripts of records□ Ranking among fellow students and/or percentile score  |
| *If applicable* | □ Parallel applications□ Own enclosures…………………… |

**The application, drawn up on the required forms (and its enclosures) should**

**be submitted at the latest on February 20 2024 at 23.59 (Belgian time)**

* The application form has to be submitted electronically via e-mail to BOFapplication@ugent.be

(please use a pdf converted from the Word document and not a scanned pdf[[2]](#footnote-2))

* The application form has to be named as followed: “surname candidate\_ name candidate\_DOS\_application”. The annexes have to be named in the same way: surname Candidate\_name Candidate\_DOS\_Annex\_x.
* Send the application form and annexes as separate PDF-files.
* When sending the application form, please make sure the Ghent University supervisor and co-supervisor are included in the e-mail, either as sender, or in CC.
* The Ghent University supervisor must submit 2 additional documents ([Advice on the candidate](https://www.ugent.be/nl/onderzoek/financiering/bof/dos/adviespromotor.doc/view) + [Advice on the ethical and biosafety context](https://www.ugent.be/nl/onderzoek/financiering/bof/ethics/ethics-questionnaire.pdf/view))via e-mail to BOFapplication@ugent.be.

The deadline will be strictly respected; late or incomplete applications will be rejected without review.

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**PART I – DATA OF THE APPLICANT**

# ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

## Title of the doctoral research proposal

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## The candidate

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| Name, first name |  |
| Place of birth (city + country) |  |
| Date of birth |  |
| Sex |  |
| Nationality |  |
| Country of residence |  |
| Civil status |  |
| Home address |  |
| Home telephone |  |
| Current place of residence |  |
| Current position |  |
| Work telephone |  |
| E-mail address |  |

## Ghent University supervisor (only one allowed)

*All applicants need the prior* ***commitment*** *of a Ghent University professor who will act as the PhD supervisor of their research. Without this support this funding application is not eligible and will be rejected without review.*

**A Ghent University supervisor can support maximum 2 candidates per call on condition they are of a different gender.**

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| Name and first name |  |
| Date of birth |  |
| Institution(s) of appointment *please add % of appointment, type and duration of the appointment* |  |
| Department |  |
| Department code |  |
| Address |  |
| Phone |  |
| E-mailORCID-ID[[3]](#footnote-3) |  |
| Name administrative staff member that can be contacted instead of the supervisor |  |
| E-mail |  |
| Phone |  |

## Ghent University co-supervisor (only one allowed)

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| Name and first name |  |
| Date of birth |  |
| Institution(s) of appointment *please add % of appointment, type and duration of the appointment* |  |
| Department |  |
| Department code |  |
| Address |  |
| Phone |  |
| E-mail |  |
| ORCID-ID Name administrative staff member that can be contacted instead of the supervisor |  |
| E-mail |  |
| Phone |  |

## Supervisor at the partner university or research centre in the developing country (obligatory)

*The supervisor must have the authority to supervise PhD students and must hold a PhD degree.*

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| Name, first name |  |
| Institution(s) of appointment |  |
| Function |  |
| Address |  |
| Phone |  |
| E-mail |  |

## Researcher involved in the project (if applicable)

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| Name, first name |  |
| Institution(s) of appointment |  |
| Function |  |
| Address |  |
| Phone |  |
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## Discussion in committee

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| **Request to have the proposal evaluated by a committee other than that to which the Ghent University supervisors faculty is assigned (e.g. in the case of cross-faculty collaboration).** **Only 1 Committee can be selected, it is not possible to discuss a proposal in 2 different selection Committee’s.** |

* 1. **Does the proposed research include possible ethical and/or biosafety issues and/or processing of personal data?**

The Ghent University supervisor must submit a document dealing with the ethical and biosafety context of the proposed research project. This document is available on the same website as the application form and must be send to BOFapplication@ugent.be before the deadline.

*If available a favourable ethical recommendations or evidence of a bio-safety file can be added as an annex to this advice*.

## Abstract of the research proposal (in Dutch and English)

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| **Project title in Dutch**: |
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| **Keywords in Dutch (your choice, at least 3, divided by a semicolon “;”):** |
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| **Abstract of the proposed research project in Dutch (max. 60 words):** |
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| **Project title in English:** |
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| **Keywords in English (your choice, at least 3, divided by a semicolon “;”):** |
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| **Abstract of the proposed research project in English (max.60 words):** |
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## Research field codes (at least one):

Please include at least 1 research field code. For the different codes, see <https://www.ugent.be/en/research/research-ugent/research-discipline.htm> under “Disciplinary Subfield L4”.

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* 1. **Data Management Plan**

There is no need to add a Data Management Plan (DMP) to the current application but such a plan will be required if the application is successful. In that case a DMP has to be submitted to dmp.admin@ugent.be within 6 months after the start of the co-funding at the latest.

The DMP has to be based on one of the templates that are available on DMPonline.be. It is preferable to use this tool also for the drafting of a DMP.

Researchers are also expected to keep the DMP up-to-date during the course of the project and are accountable for the data management of their projects at any time. No later than three months after the end of the project, the researchers will need to upload the final version of their DMP in GISMO. See for more information on: <https://www.ugent.be/en/research/datamanagement/policies/ghent-university.htm#BOF-andIOF-fundedresearch> . Questions about writing a DMP or the templates can be addressed to rdm.support@ugent.be

## Parallel applications

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| *Supervisor* |  |
| *Proposed start and end dates* |  |
| *Title* |  |
| *Funding agency* |  |
| *Requested amount* |  |
| *Status of the application* |  |
| *Indicate whether the doctoral research application as a whole – or some part of it – has also been submitted at BOF or at another funding agency. Answer the questions below:*1. *Which researchers have contributed to the present project proposal? What is the contribution of each of these researchers?*
2. *Are there any other research proposals that overlap partly or entirely with the present proposal? If so, how do they overlap and what is the status of the other proposals? Is this overlap (partly) the result of previous collaborations with other researchers?*
3. *In case of overlapping research proposals, why is additional funding applied for?*
4. *Is this to maximize the chances to receive funding? In this case the Research Council can decide to award its funding conditionally, meaning that the funding will only be granted if the parallel application is not successful. In that sense, the information regarding the overlap of research proposals will have no influence on the evaluation procedure itself. But if needed the research council will cancel the selection or reduce the allocated budget to avoid funding the same project twice.*
5. *Or is the additional funding supplementary to the parallel funding applied for via another funding program? In case both applications are successful: how will these budgets complement one another, what will each budget be used for?*
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If necessary, copy and add the above section. *Enclose a copy of each parallel application*.

# THE CANDIDATE

## Studies

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| ***University studies, diplomas and/or current studies*** | ***Deliberation data*** *(day, month, year)* | ***Results, marks or GPA + ranking among fellow students and/or percentile score***  | **University + country** |
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* *Mention the global title of your studies (bachelor and master level) (not the titles of the individual courses) and the results per degree (weighted marks or GPA).*
* *Add copies of all diplomas[[4]](#footnote-4) and certificates and the transcripts of records (in English).*
* *If possible, also mention your ranking among fellow students, providing a piece of evidence. An exception is made if the university cannot provide this information but in that case a statement (letter, email) from a lawful representative ((vice-)rector, (vice-)director, dean, ...) of that university is needed, explaining that they cannot deliver the ranking and percentile score.*
* *If you are currently in the final year of your master degree studies, add the transcript of records of the master courses you have completed so far.*

**Students who mention a GPA must always indicate the maximum score that can be obtained (e.g. …/3, …./4, …/5) and must add an official attestation of the grading/credit system.** *Please contact your university administration if needed.*

*Please note! Students with a Ghent university diploma do not have to add copies of their diploma or study results*(excluding interuniversity programs at Ghent university).

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| The study results have a major impact on the evaluation of the application. This means that applicants need to prove that they are top students (in terms of study results). It is strongly recommended to provide official documents (ranking among fellow students, percentile score….) to attest this. Only when documents proving these results are added to the application, the evaluation committees will have all the necessary information at their disposal to assess the academic quality of the candidates. |

**Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

## Scientific activities and experiences since master diploma.

In this field you can briefly explain in which activities you have been involved since receiving your master’s degree. These activities can be of all kind. It is important for the selection committee to have a clear understanding of what activities you have been involved in so far. You can list activities, experiences and achievements that may be relevant to assessing your potential to enter a PhD program. If you have already started your PhD, please indicate the current stage of your PhD.

**Remark**!: details of positions, activities, grants, training, publications,,.. are requested in the sections below. In this section (2,2) you can summarize what has been going on since your master’s diploma.

## Research grants or positions after university studies inside or outside Ghent University

If you already had any **paid** research grants or research positions after your university studies inside or outside Ghent University, please mention them here (including any current position, stating whether this position is renewable and whether the candidate has already applied to have it renewed. For example: appointments as researcher, staff member, teaching assignments, …).

This scholarship intents to support students from the start of their PhD studies at Ghent University. Candidates who already have secured a PhD scholarship to work on their PhD at Ghent University (for instance Nascere, HEC, ...) are not eligible.

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| Appointment as  | Funding | Start | End | Institution |
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*Mention the start and end date of each grant and position.*

## Other study and professional activities

Please indicate other professional/research activities in between your studies and professional career (if applicable & relevant)

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| Study/research | Funding | Start | End | Institution |
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*Mention the start and end date of each* professional/research activity *.*

## Scientific/scholarly studies and/or experience outside the candidate’s homeland (Other than those mentioned in the diplomas

*Mention the start and end date of each* scientific/scholarly studies and/or experience abroad. *Please do not mention attendances to international conferences.*

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| Scientific/scholarly studies/training | Funding | Start | End | Institution + country |
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## Thesis (Master level)

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| Supervisor |  |
| Title |  |
| Year |  |
| University |  |
| Brief description of the thesis |

## Scholarly/scientific publications by the candidate

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| *Categories* | A1 | P1 | A2 | B1 | B2 | B3 | C1 | C2 |
| *Published* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *In press or accepted* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sole author (\*) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *First author* (\*)(\*\*) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Last author (\*)(\*\*)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

*(\*)Published, in press and accepted*

*(\*\*)to be used for publications with two or more authors*

List all publications, divided into the categories mentioned below and mention all authors of each publication. For each category, order the publications chronologically and number them. Only mention publications that are published, in press or accepted for publication. Also state expressly which publications are in press or accepted for publication. To give equal opportunities to all candidates, no bibliographic updates will be accepted after the deadline.

Scientific output of the candidate:
*add pages if necessary*

**Web of Science**

Articles - A1 (**published in journals listed in the ISI Web of Knowledge (mention quartile, ranking, impact factor and insert url)**1. 2.…

Conference proceedings– P1 (**mention first and last page number)** **listed in the ISI Web of Science (insert url)**1.2.…

**Other**

Articles – A2
1.
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Books – B1
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Books – B2
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2.
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Books – B3
1.
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Conference proceedings – C1 (**mention the first and last page number)**
1.
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Patents – C2
1.
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Were you during the last 5 years absent due to maternity leave, long term sick leave, parental leave, care leave or other? If so, mention how many months you were absent. When evaluating your application the research council will take the into account the time that was available for producing scientific output.

# THE DOCTORAL RESEARCH

Use Arial, size 10 pt. Applications that do not respect this format can be considered as not eligible. Any text exceeding the specified page limits will not be taken into account in the evaluation.

## Explain the proposed doctoral research with a bibliography of cited articles on maximum 3 pages (bibliography of cited articles excluded).

No restrictions will be imposed relating to the fields of research, nevertheless preference will be given to topics that are relevant for the **South-North Context** (please do consider also section 3.3. when drafting the research project).

## Planning and time schedule of the doctoral research (max. ½ page)Give a planning starting as of 1/10/2024 (in the form of a time schedule) over a period of 48 months (24 months at Ghent University/24 months in the South). Mention the activities related to the doctoral research, clearly showing when the activity will be carried out and where (at Ghent University or the partner institute).

These scholarships take the form of a so called **sandwich scholarship**, **the following mobility scheme is mandatory:**

Students need to start and end with a research stay of minimum 3 up to maximum 12 months at Ghent University.

The first research stay at Ghent University needs to start between 1/10/2024 and 28/02/2025.

* 24 months of locally funded research stay in the South must be scheduled in between the first and last research stay at Ghent University (\*).
* Students can schedule research stays at Ghent University for a maximum of 24 months

Students need to keep in mind that due to all practical arrangements (visa, housing, contract, …) different (short) research stays can be time consuming for the student to manage.

Students are obliged to pursue a **Ghent University PhD degree**, either as a single Ghent University degree or as a joint PhD degree with the partner university in the South (in which case a joint PhD agreement must be signed, see section 3.5).

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| 48 months | 1/10/2023-xx/xx/xxxx | xx/xx/xxxx-xx/xx/xxxx |  |  |
| WP1 | North |  |  |  |
| WP2 |  | South/ |  |  |
| … |  |  |  |  |
| PhD Defence |  |  |  | North  |

Applicants who want to request an exception on the funding and mobility scheme must submit a specific form “[request exception funding and mobility scheme](https://www.ugent.be/nl/onderzoek/financiering/bof/dos/exception.doc/view)” to BOF@ugent.be by January 19, 2024 at the latest.

## Context South-North

Describe the principles for relevance for the South-North context, as defined in the call document.

Describe how the proposal enhances local institutional capacity building and partnership between the North and South, and how it takes into account the local context and contributes to a sustainable environment

* + 1. **Relevance and benefits of the proposal for society**

On maximum 1 page.

No restrictions will be imposed relating to the fields of research, nevertheless preference will be given to topics that are relevant for society. This relates to “the extent to which the objectives of a proposal are consistent with beneficiaries’ requirements, country needs, synergy opportunities, global priorities and partners’ and donors’ policies.”[[5]](#footnote-5) Please make sure that this section aligns with the proposed doctoral research project as described in section 3.1.

Following operational criteria can be taken into account:

* Do the research deliverables have potential and sustainable impact on the local population, national authorities and/or implementation of international policies, in short- or in long-term?
* Does the research or its deliverables discuss or challenge national and/or international policy priorities? For instance does the proposal fits into one of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG’s) targeted by the United Nations. These goals can be found on <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/sdgs> or for more information on SDG’s within the context of research please have a look at the Ghent University webpage on SDG’s: <https://www.ugent.be/intranet/en/research/soc-value/sdg-research.htm>
	+ 1. **Partnership and capacity building**

Explain the partnership and capacity building in relation to criterion 1 (Relevance and benefits to society)

On maximum 1 page.

* Does the PhD contributes to local institutional capacity building in the South and can the capacity that will be generated be further developed in the long term? What are the possibilities for validation of the acquired knowledge at the partner university in the South?
* Is there sufficient local expertise and support in the South; i.e. local supervisor as 2 years of the PhD period is carried out at the local institution?
* Why is the knowledge build-up best situated at the specific local context in the South (institution, region, country, ..)
* Are there previous collaborations or new synergies and opportunities for collaboration with the partner university/research centre in the South?
* Is there an added value and reciprocity in the North-South collaboration?
* Will the candidate be incorporated in a research group in the developing country afterwards?
	+ 1. **Local context and the enabling environment**

On maximum 1 page.

Following operational criteria can be taken into account:

* The proposal takes into account the local environment in the use of relevant methodologies.
* The proposal aims to combine or translate a global or local development objective with an appropriate project
* The research approach makes use of relevant methodology and pays attention for local dissemination
* The research deliverables contribute to the production of knowledge and presence in the global debate in and by the “South”

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| **The information on the relevance of the proposal in relation to development issues has a major impact on the evaluation of the application. Please make sure to complete this section.** |

## Type of doctoral degree

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| Ghent University PhD degree | **[ ]**  |

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| Joint PhD at Ghent University and the partner university: | **[ ]**  |

**PART II – THE PARTNER UNIVERSITY OR RESEARCH CENTRE IN THE DEVELOPING COUNTRY**

# GUARANTEES FOR THE DOCTORAL RESEARCH AT THE PARTNER UNIVERSITY OR RESEARCH CENTRE

The candidate must propose 24 months of locally funded research stay in the South in between the first and last research stay at Ghent University (see mandatory mobility scheme, 3.2 mobility scheme).

**A written and signed statement of the partner university concerning this co-funding is required.**

This statement should indicate the period and type of funding (minimum 24 months of fulltime PhD scholarship or salary) that the candidate will receive while working on the PhD research at the partner university or research centre in the South. Please include the mobility scheme or mention the specific periods the partner will co-fund this research. This statement must also guarantee that the candidate will be sufficiently exempted from teaching or other assignments.

* *See the final page of the application form for a suggested template of this co-funding statement.*
* *See page 6 of the call for more details on funding and mobility scheme*

Applicants who want to request an **exception to the funding and mobility plan** (as described in the call on p.6), please submit the template “[exception to the funding and mobility plan](https://www.ugent.be/nl/onderzoek/financiering/bof/dos/exception.doc/view)together with the required supporting documents to BOF@ugent.be by January 19, 2024 at the latest.

# CONTRIBUTION OF THE SUPERVISOR AT THE PARTNER UNIVERSITY OR RESEARCH CENTRE TO THE PHD RESEARCH

On maximum ½ page.

Describe the proposed research work within the framework of the research topics that the supervisor is currently studying or plans to study in the future. Indicate how the experience of the supervisor at the partner university or research centre will contribute to the PhD research of the candidate.

# QUALIFICATIONS AND SCIENTIFIC OUTPUT OF THE SUPERVISOR AT THE PARTNER UNIVERSITY OR RESEARCH CENTRE

**ANNEX 1. TEMPLATE CURRICULUM VITAE – 2 pages CV**

The supervisor has to attach an CV in English as an annex to this application. The CV should include a standard academic and research record. The structure of the CV may be modified. Any research career gaps and/or unconventional paths (due to for example maternity leave, sick leave, etc..) should be clearly explained so that they can be fairly assessed.

Suggested template for the CV:

* ***PERSONAL INFORMATION***

*Family name, First name*:

*Researcher unique identifier (ORCID):*

*Date of birth*:

*Nationality*:

*URL for website*:

* ***EDUCATION***

200? *PhD or ‘Habilitation’:*

 *Title of the dissertation:*

 *Grade obtained (e.g. “distinction”):*

 *Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution, Country*

 *Name of PhD Supervisor*:

199? *Master:*

 *Grade obtained (e.g. “distinction”):*

 *Title of the master thesis:*

 *Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution, Country*

* ***CURRENT AND PREVIOUS POSITION(S)***

201? – Ongoing *Current Position:*

 *Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution, Country*

200? – 200? *Position held:*

 *Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution, Country*

200? – 200? *Position held:*

 *Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution, Country*

* ***FELLOWSHIPS* *AND AWARDS***

200? – 200? *Name of Faculty/ Department/Centre, Name of University/ Institution, Country*

200? *Award received for xx from Name of Institution, Country*

198? – 199? *Scholarship, Name of Faculty/ Department/Centre, Name of University/ Institution, Country*

* **SUPERVISION OF GRADUATE STUDENTS AND POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWS**

200? – 200? *Number of Postdocs/ PhD/ Master Students*

*Name of Faculty/ Department/ Centre, Name of University/ Institution, Country*

* ***TEACHING ACTIVITIES (if applicable)***

200? – Teaching position – Topic, Name of University/ Institution, Country

200? – 200? *Teaching position – Topic, Name of University/ Institution, Country*

* ***ORGANISATION OF SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS (if applicable)***

201? *Please specify your role and the name of the event, Country*

200? Please specify type of event / number of participants, Country

* ***INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES (if applicable)***

201? – *Faculty board member, name of University or Institution, Country*

201? – 201? *Graduate Student Advisor, Name of University/ Institution, Country*

200? – 200? *Member of the Research Council, name of University or Institution, Country*

200? – 200? *Member of a Committee; role, Name of University or Institution, Country*

* ***COMMISSIONS OF TRUST (if applicable)***

201? – *Scientific Advisory Board, Name of University or Institution, Country*

201? – *Member review Board, Name of University or Institution, Country*

201? – *Review panel member, Name of University or Institution, Country*

201? – Editorial Board, Name of University or Institution, Country

200? – *Scientific Advisory Board, Name of University/ Institution, Country*

200? – *Reviewer, Name of University or Institution, Country*

*200? – Evaluator, Name of University/ Institution, Country*

* ***MEMBERSHIPS OF SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES (if applicable)***

201? – *Member Research Network “Name of Research Network”*

200? – *Associated Member, Name of Faculty or Department, Name of University or Institution, Country*

200? – *Founding Member, Name of Faculty or Department, Name of University or Institution, Country*

* ***MAJOR COLLABORATIONS (if applicable)***

*Name of collaborators, Topic, Name of Faculty, Department or Centre, Name of University or Institution, Country*

* ***CAREER BREAK(S) (if applicable)***

*Exact dates* *Please indicate the reason and the duration in months.*

**ANNEX 2. ACHIEVEMENTS TRACK RECORD**

Please attach a list of achievements reflecting the track record of the supervisor in English as mentioned in the template.

The obligatory elements A, B and C together are limited to max. 2 pages. There is no limitation for elements D, E, F, G.

1. **Scientific leadership:** Please indicate arguments and evidence for scientific leadership **(obligatory).**

*Scientific leadership refers to a person’s ability to pursue scientific questions independently, confidently and creatively, combined with an ability to inspire others towards a common vision. This requires good personal relations within a team with room for critical reflection. It is manifested through a range of tasks such as managerial duties; project coordination and the supervision of others - and through less tangible activities such as independent critical thought, balancing individual and group objectives, and contributing to a university’s mission.*

1. **Impact:** Please indicate what has been the impact (academic and/or economic and/or societal) of the promotor in scientific work so far **(obligatory).**

*Academic impact is the demonstrable contribution that excellent research makes in shifting understanding and advancing scientific method, theory and application across and within disciplines. Economic and societal impact is the demonstrable contribution that excellent research makes to society and the economy, and its benefits to individuals, organizations and/or nations.*

1. **5 major publications (obligatory)**

 *In major international peer-reviewed multi-disciplinary scientific journals and/or in the leading international peer-reviewed journals, peer-reviewed conferences proceedings and/or monographs and any translations thereof of their respective research fields, highlighting those as main author or without the presence as co-author of their PhD supervisor (properly referenced-including all authors-field relevant bibliometric indicators may also be included); preprints are also acceptable.
Explain why you have chosen these publications and describe the innovative character of each publication. What is the expected research impact (scientific and/or economic and/or societal)? If the publication has several authors, please explain your specific contribution to the research mentioned in the publication.*

1. **Granted patent(s)** *(if applicable)*
2. **Invited presentations to internationally established conferences and/or international advanced schools** *(if applicable)*
3. **Prizes/Awards/Academy memberships** *(if applicable)*
4. **Other** *(if applicable)*

**PART III. QUALIFICATIONS OF THE PROPOSED GHENT UNIVERSITY RESEARCH GROUP (TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE (CO-) SUPERVISOR)**

# CONTEXT AND STRATEGY OF THE GHENT UNIVERSITY RESEARCH GROUP(S) RELATING TO THE DOCTORAL RESEARCH

# SCIENTIFIC OUTPUT PER GHENT UNIVERSITY (CO-)SUPERVISOR

**2.1 Link to the academic bibliography ‘biblio’**

For the Ghent University (co-)supervisor, give the link to the bibliographic data in biblio. It is **not** necessary to download the file and add it to the application. Just add the UGent ID code to the link (replace the red part in the link).

Reviewers who want to consult the academic bibliography of an applicant have to copy the completed link below in their browser.

**https://biblio.ugent.be/person/UGent ID code/bof**

*suggested template for the co-funding statement*

*Add the Official letter heading of the university/research institution*

**To Ghent University**

**President of the Research Council**

**c/o Research Co-ordination Office,**

**Sint-Pietersnieuwstraat 25, 9000 Gent, Belgium**

*(Please use/change this template if needed)*

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| *This statement should indicate the period and type of funding (fulltime PhD scholarship or salary) that the candidate will receive when working on the PhD research at the partner university or research center in the South. At least 24 months of locally funded research stay in the South must be scheduled in between the first and last research stay at Ghent University.* ***Please include the proposed mobility scheme (see mandatory mobility scheme, section 3.2 mobility scheme) in this letter.****Describe also for which tasks the candidate will be exempted when working at the PhD research at the partner university in the South. Applicants are allowed to dedicate maximum 10% of their time (fulltime appointment) to other tasks (teaching and other tasks) while working on their PhD research in the South.**Please note that candidates will receive a full research contract and salary while staying in at Ghent University.* ***Candidates are not allowed to receive their salary in the South while staying at Ghent University.*** *To be eligible for the Ghent University funding* ***candidates must have secured a fulltime scholarship/funding for the PhD research carried out at the partner university****. Candidates who receive no funding at all for the PhD research at the partner university or who only receive a partial scholarship/funding (e.g. tuition fee waiver or bench fee type of scholarship) are not eligible. The amount of the scholarship/funding should be sufficient to maintain a sufficient living standard in the country in the South.**A (paid) leave of absence for the period of research at Ghent University is not considered as sufficient co-funding.* |

The XX university/institution confirms that Mr/Ms XX is staff member/researcher/PhD student (or….) at XX University, faculty XX.

Currently, Mr/Ms XX …(describe the current professional or educational activities).

Mr/Ms xx (will) receive(s)(d) a fulltime PhD scholarship/salary when working on his/her PhD at XX university (=partner university in the South) between xxx( date) xxx until (date), see the following mobility scheme:

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| 48 months | 1/10/2023-xx/xx/xxxx | xx/xx/xxxx-xx/xx/xxxx |  |  |
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| WP2 |  | South/ |  |  |
| … |  |  |  |  |
| PhD Defence |  |  |  | North |

As a staff member/PhD scholarship holder at XX university Mr/ Ms XX will be sufficiently exempted from teaching or other assignments as to be able to fully concentrate on his/her PhD research. *In the event that his/her time is required a maximum of 10% of his/her time (fulltime appointment) will be assigned for other tasks (teaching and other).*

Signature of Rector/Vice-Chancelor, Dean, …or lawful representative

1. *In case the candidate is selected for the grant, legalized copies will be required for the admission and registration procedure (more information on how to legalize a diploma:* <https://www.ugent.be/prospect/en/administration/application/application-degree/legalisation.htm> [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
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5. VLIR-UOS Selection System – Policy and guidelines [↑](#footnote-ref-5)