

## UKRI Future Leaders Fellows - June 2018

Prospective applicants should return the completed form to [socsci-research-office@glasgow.ac.uk](mailto:socsci-research-office@glasgow.ac.uk) accompanied with:

- A two page CV for the applicant;
- A maximum one page statement of interest from each key user partner(s)

by **5pm on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2018**, for formal consideration in the internal selection process.

Please complete all fields in Arial 11, without altering the document margins, taking into account the criteria against which the proposals will be assessed, which are set out in an Appendix to this document.

The form should be a maximum of two pages (*feel free to delete this introductory paragraph*):

<b>Candidate Name(s):</b>	
<b>Proposed Host School/Research Institute(s):</b>	
<b>Project Title:</b>	
<b>Programme Aims &amp; Purpose</b> (What is the problem or challenge that the programme will seek to address? Why does it matter? What are the long term aims of the programme?) <b>Max 400 words</b>	
<b>Work Plan &amp; Methodology</b> (What activities will be undertaken in the first four years of the Fellowship? What methodologies will be used to address the programme aims?) <b>Max 300 words</b>	
<b>Potential Impact</b> (What are the potential short and long-term impacts of the proposed research/innovation for society and/or the economy?) <b>Max 300 words</b>	
<b>Maximising Impact</b> (How would this impact be maximised? Which key partner organisations would be involved in the programme and through what mechanisms?) <b>Max 350 words</b>	

**Applicant** (Please explain how you meet the applicant specification: independence and thought leadership; communication and dissemination of knowledge and innovation; leadership; ability to develop new relationships and influences across multiple sectors) **Max 350 words**

## UKRI Future Leaders Fellowships Assessment Criteria

### Scheme objectives

- To develop, retain, attract and sustain research and innovation talent in the UK
- To foster new research and innovation career paths including those at the academic/business and interdisciplinary boundaries, and facilitate movement of people between sectors
- To provide sustained funding and resources for the best early career researchers and innovators
- To provide long-term, flexible funding to tackle difficult and novel challenges, and support adventurous, ambitious programmes.

### Factors assessed

- Across all four factors assessed (below) a key issue will be whether the added value of the fellowship mechanism of support – e.g. the scale, flexibility and duration offered - is well demonstrated, as opposed to more standard project grant support.

#### Factor

#### Research & Innovation Excellence

#### What the assessment will look for:

- Excellence of the research and innovation
- Importance, novelty and feasibility of the proposed programme of work (and whether long-term Fellowship support is needed to enable this)
- Robust methodology and appropriate consideration of research and innovation reproducibility, openness, governance and ethical / social responsibility issues
- Overall potential of the fellowship to establish or maintain a distinctive and world leading research/innovation activity

#### Applicant & their Development

- Be recognised to be of the highest standard relative to their career stage and on a trajectory to become world-class
- Clear evidence of independence and thought leadership, which may go beyond the level normally expected of their current position
- Demonstrate an ability to be, or become, a clear communicator and disseminator of knowledge and innovation, able to inspire and lead others; and ability to develop new relationships and influence across multiple disciplines and sectors
- A broad understanding of the research / innovation landscape at both the national and international level and clarity on how their research / innovation will contribute to it
- A clear plan to support the training and development of the fellow

(and, if applicable, their team) and for gaining advice or mentorship; supporting not only the programme but also their broader professional development

### Impact & Strategic Relevance

- Importance and potential impact of the research / innovation for society and / or the economy
  - What are the potential short or long-term impacts, and how significant are they?
  - Are the pathways to achieving this impact well understood, and are the plans for maximising impact (from the applicant and host organisation) proportionate, timely, and credible
- Where the Fellowship proposal aligns with a specific priority area identified by UKRI, the assessment will also address how strongly the proposal fits with the aims for the area; and what it will contribute alongside other proposals and activities in the same priority area

### Research and Innovation Environment & Costs

- A demonstrable **commitment from the host institution** to realising the potential of the fellow; and establishing them as a research / innovation leader
- Consideration has been given to **equality, diversity and inclusion** aims of UKRI in support for the fellow and if applicable, their wider team, and in using the Fellowship's provision for flexible working
- Plans for **supporting the fellow's programme of work**; enabling the time commitment needed; ensuring access to space, equipment/facilities, other resources and other relevant programmes; and enabling the applicant to maximise the social / economic impact of their work
- **Funding requested** is appropriate and fully justified
- The **project plan** and management arrangements are proportionate to the scale and complexity of the activity to be undertaken