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| Form in Irish: | |
| Yes | 🞏 |
| No | 🞏 |

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| **Supervisor details** |

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| Position: |

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| Name of head of school or department: |

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| Work address: |

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| ORCID: |

ORCID ID provides a persistent digital identifier that distinguishes you from every other researcher. If you do not currently have an ORCID ID, please register for one at www.orcid.org and provide us with your unique 16-digit identifier.

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| **Supervisor Experience** |

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| How many research master’s and/or doctoral students have successfully completed their degrees under your supervision? |

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| How many researchers do you currently supervise or mentor? | |
| Senior research fellows | 🞏 |
| Postdoctoral researchers | 🞏 |
| Postgraduate students | 🞏 |
| Other | 🞏 |

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| Please list your top research outputs over the last five years, e.g. publications to date, research awards achieved, creation of data sets and databases, conference papers, patents, excavations, public broadcasts, stage performances, creative writing, creative productions, exhibitions etc., and describe the impact of this work on your field of research:  *Max 300 words* |

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| **Recommendation** |

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| I know the applicant: | |
| Very well | 🞏 |
| Well | 🞏 |
| Slightly | 🞏 |

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| I was the applicant’s: | |
| Adviser | 🞏 |
| Lecturer | 🞏 |
| Tutor | 🞏 |
| Other | 🞏 |
| If other, please provide further details:  From: dd/mm/yyyy to: dd/mm/yyyy |  |

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| How does this applicant compare to other researchers, at the same academic or professional level, that you have interacted with over the past five years? | |
| Poor | 🞏 |
| Well | 🞏 |
| Very well | 🞏 |
| Excellent | 🞏 |
| Exceptional | 🞏 |
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The Irish Research Council maintains ‘gender-blinding’ of applications for evaluation purposes to mitigate any gender bias in the assessment of excellence. As such, our assessors review applications that are anonymous and free from pronouns or other words which would identify the applicant’s gender. In order to comply with these guidelines, we ask that you use ‘the applicant’, ‘s/he/they’ and ‘his/her/their’ when providing your observations rather than the person’s name or pronouns which would identify their gender.

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| Please provide your observations on the characteristics and achievements of the applicant and comment on their suitability for a career in research. This statement should contain details as to why you decided to support this particular applicant:  *Max 500 words* |
| **Academic host environment** | |

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| Please provide details about the academic host environment including (a) the training and career development opportunities that will be provided to the applicant (b) confirmation that the necessary resources, e.g. books, equipment, are available to progress the research and (c) confirmation that the applicant will receive assistance to help them integrate into their new environment:  *Max 500 words* |

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| **Supervisor declaration** |

Please note that while an academic supervisor or mentor at an Irish host institution is permitted to support more than one award holder under each programme, this should not used as a means for academic supervisors or mentors to form research teams. Each application must be in support of an individual and original project, written by the applicant and distinctively different to other applications which may be received under the same academic supervisor or mentor.

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| I hereby declare that I have read and accept the supervisor requirements for this programme as set out in the Call Document and the Terms and Conditions on the Irish Research Council website: | |
| I agree | 🞏 |

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| Do you agree to supervise and host the applicant for the duration of their award should they be successful in the current funding competition? | |
| I agree | 🞏 |

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| Does the research proposal outlined in this application require approval by the relevant institutional Ethics Committee? | |
| Yes | 🞏 |
| No | 🞏 |

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| I agree | 🞏 |

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| I confirm that the information supplied in this supervisor form is correct and recognise that should it become apparent that any of the information provided is inaccurate or unverifiable with appropriate documentation, it will result in the application automatically being deemed ineligible: | |
| I agree | 🞏 |