

**Irish Research Council Laureate Awards Programme 2021/22:
Humanities Interview Structure**

Successful applicants (those given an 'A' rating) at stage 2 will be invited to Stage 3, the final stage in the assessment process. Stage 3 consists of a virtual interview to present your project to the panel and answer questions.

You should expect questions related to all aspects of your proposal, including the budget and questions on how the Laureate award would support future application to ERC funding calls. Panels will consider the results of interviews alongside all feedback from the first and second stages of the evaluation.

Below is the structure for the **Physical Sciences and Engineering** Panel. Documents for other panels are available at: <https://research.ie/funding/ircla/>

- The stage 3 Physical Sciences and Engineering panel meetings will be held on the **20th, 21st and 22nd of April 2022**.
- Interviews will be a maximum of 25 minutes long and will consist of a presentation and a discussion.
- To begin, you will give a presentation. This will be limited to **5 minutes and no slides are permitted**. If the presentation goes over time the panel chair or his/her nominee will cut the presentation short.
- After you give your presentation, there will be a maximum of 20 minutes of interview questions from the panel, chaired by the Panel Chair.

Applicants progressing to Stage 3 will be sent a meeting link with a time slot shortly after the outcome of Stage 2 is announced. Please alert the IRC of any potential clashes **now**, time preferences will be assigned on a "first come, first served" basis. The meeting will take place over *Zoom*. Please ensure that you have the latest version of *Zoom* **in advance of the meeting**. The interview is an essential part of the evaluation process and must be completed by all applicants.