**SPECIAL RESEARCH FUND ANNOUNCEMENT 2020**

**DOCTORAL GRANTS FOR CANDIDATES FROM**

**DEVELOPING COUNTRIES**

**North-South “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 Ghent University supervisor (See: <http://www.ugent.be/en/research/opportunities/phd/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* | □ Document concerning ethical implications□ Parallel applications□ Own enclosures…………………… |

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

**be submitted at the latest on 4 February 2020 at 23.59 (Belgian time)**

* The application has to be submitted electronically to BOFapplication@ugent.be
* (please use a pdf converted from the Word document and not a scanned pdf[[2]](#footnote-2))
* The document has to be named as followed: “surname candidate\_ name candidate\_DOS\_application”. Send the application form and annexes as separate PDF-files.
* When sending the application, please make sure the Ghent University supervisor and co-supervisor are included in the e-mail, either as sender, or in CC.
* The deadline will be strictly respected; late or incomplete applications will be rejected without review.

**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 explicit 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.* *Ghent University supervisors can support maximum 2 applications per call.*

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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* |  |
| Departement |  |
| 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* |  |
| Departement |  |
| 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 |  |
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| E-mail |  |

## Researcher involved in the project (if applicable)

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| Name, first name |  |
| Institution(s) of appointment |  |
| Function |  |
| Address |  |
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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?**

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| *experiments on human beings?* | [ ]  |
| *experiments on vertebrates?* | [ ]  |
| *processing of personal data (AVG/GDPR legislation)?* | [ ]  |

*Has a positive ethical advice already been obtained?*

[ ] *yes (add one copy to the original project application form)*[ ] *ethical advice is being applied for*[ ] *ethical advice hasn’t been applied for yet*
[ ] *not applicable*

*Has the processing of personal data been registered in the register of processing activities?*

[ ] *yes*

[ ] *not yet*

[ ] *not applicable*

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| *Are genetically modified organisms involved?* | [ ]  |
| *Are biological, phytopathological and/or zoopathogenes involved?* | [ ]  |

*Is an attestation concerning biosafety already available?*

*For information, see:* <http://www.ugent.be/nl/univgent/bestuur/welzijnmilieu/milieu/bioveiligheid>

[ ] *yes,SBB code (or AMV code) ……*[ ] *attestation is being applied for*
[ ] *not applicable*

## 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):** |
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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):** |
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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 added to the project file in GISMO 6 months after the start of the co-funding at the latest. 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*** *(note all years of study, with complete and precise designations and details)* | ***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).

 **Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

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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. |

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

If candidates already had any **paid** research grants or positions after their 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, …).

*Mention the start and end date of each grant and position.*

## Other study/research activities

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

*Mention the start and end date of each grant and position.*

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

*Please do not mention attendances to international conferences.*

## 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 (**mention quartile, ranking and impact factor)**1. 2.…

Conference proceedings– P1 (**mention first and last page number)**1.2.…

**Other**

Articles – A2
1.
2.
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Books – B1
1.
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Books – B2
1.
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Books – B3
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Conference proceedings – C1 (**mention the first and last page number)**
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Patents – C2
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# THE DOCTORAL RESEARCH

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

**Use Arial, size 10 pt. Applications that do not respect this format can be considered as not eligible.**

No restrictions will be imposed relating to the fields of research, nevertheless preference will be given to topics that are relevant for development (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 (in the form of a time schedule) of 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).

Please indicate in this time schedule the research activity/per time frame and the place where this activity will be performed (Ghent university or partner university/institution). 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** in **Ghent**.

The **first research stay** in Ghent needs to **start** between **1/10/2020 and 28/02/2021**.

* At least **24 months of locally funded research stay in the South** must be scheduled **in between the first and last research stay in Ghent.**
* 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). Please note that if students plan to defend their PhD at their home university (South) their university will need to sign a joint PhD agreement with Ghent University. **Without a valid Joint PhD agreement students are always obliged to defend\* their PhD at Ghent University (North)**.

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| WP1 | North |  |  |  |
| WP2 |  | South/ |  |  |
| … |  |  |  |  |
| PhD Defence |  |  |  | North \* |

## Information on the relevance of the proposal in relation to development issues (max. 1 page)

Describe the principles for relevance for development, as defined in the document “Announcement and application information” pages 2-3, section “Objective” and “Admissibility”.

No restrictions will be imposed relating to the fields of research, nevertheless preference will be given to topics that are relevant for development. Development relevance 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:

* The proposal meets the needs of (direct and indirect) beneficiaries
* The proposal fits into at least one of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG’s)[[6]](#footnote-6) targeted by the United Nations. These goals can be found on https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/sdgs
* If applicable, the proposal takes into account its negative/positive environmental impact.
* If applicable, the proposal takes into account its negative/positive impact on the policy level

**3.4 Motivation for PhD studies in relation to capacity building**

On maximum ½ page.

Candidates must motivate their PhD studies in relation to the expected capacity building for the local context in the South (institution, region, country, ..). Will the candidate be incorporated in a research group in the developing country afterwards? And what are the possibilities for validation of the acquired knowledge?

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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 (MAX. ½ PAGE)

The part of the research (24 months) that will be executed in the South must be funded (e.g. local PhD scholarship or salary) by the partner institution in the South, or a(n) (inter)national government/funding agency/partner institution (*excluding Ghent University*). It is not allowed to bring in research projects as funding that include Ghent University as a partner (for instance VLIRUOS funded projects).

Mention which financial and practical measures are taken to guarantee that the candidate will be able to conduct doctoral research at the partner university or research centre in the South. For example: will the candidate have a research appointment or receive a PhD scholarship?

**Students must have a fulltime scholarship/funding for the PhD research at the partner university to be eligible for the UGent funding.** Students who receive no funding at all for the PhD research at the partner university in the South or who only receive a partial scholarship/funding (e.g. tuition fee waiver or bench fee type of scholarship) from the partner university or third party are not eligible.

**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 when working on the PhD research at the partner university or research center in the South.**

**The proposed mobility scheme (see mandatory mobility scheme, section 3.2 mobility scheme) must be incorporated in this letter.**

**This statement must also guarantee that the candidate will be sufficiently exempted from teaching or other assignments.** 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 at the partner university in the South.

If the financial support in the South proves to be insufficient to execute the research in the South/ is terminated early or if the candidate does not receive sufficient time in the South to fully focus on the PhD research, Ghent University can decide to cancel the scholarship at any time.

*See the final page of this application form for a suggested template for this co-funding statement.*

# CONTRIBUTION OF THE SUPERVISOR AT THE PARTNER UNIVERSITY OR RESEARCH CENTRE TO THE PHD RESEARCH (MAX. ½ PAGE)

# 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**

*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 in Ghent. 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 cannot receive their salary in the South while staying in Ghent.* *Candidates must have a fulltime scholarship/funding for the PhD research at the partner university to be eligible for the UGent funding. 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) from the partner university or third party are not eligible.* *A (paid) leave of absence for the period of research in Ghent 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 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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| WP1 | North |  |  |  |
| 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.

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/en/teaching/admission/degreestudent/application/legalen.htm*](https://www.ugent.be/en/teaching/admission/degreestudent/application/legalen.htm)*)* [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. *Via File < Export < Create PDF/XPS document* [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. The Ghent University (co)supervisor is obliged to have an ORCID-ID (publically available). Those who do not yet have an ORCID-ID can find more information on: https://www.ugent.be/orcid [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. At this stage these copies do not have to be legalized, but in case the candidate is selected for the grant, legalized copies will be required for the admission and registration procedure (how to legalize a diploma: https://www.ugent.be/en/teaching/admission/degreestudent/application/legalen.htm) [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. VLIR-UOS Selection System – Policy and guidelines [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. More information on https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/sdgs [↑](#footnote-ref-6)