**CONEX PLUS - 1st Call for applicants**

**RESEARCH PROPOSAL –PART B**

*Proposal Full Title*

*PROPOSAL ACRONYM*

The structure of this template must be followed when preparing your proposal. It has been designed to ensure that the important aspects of your planned work are presented in a way that will enable the experts to make an effective assessment against the evaluation criteria.

Be aware of the page limit. Sections should not be longer than the indicated pages. All tables, figures, references and any other element pertaining to these sections must be included as an integral part of these sections and are thus counted in this page limit.

Please, do not consider the page limit as a target! It is in your interest to keep your text as concise as possible, since experts rarely view unnecessarily long proposals in a positive light

The following formatting conditions apply:

* Applicants must use the following formatting constraints: Arial, at least font size 10, margins (2.0 cm side, 1,5 cm top and bottom), single line spacing.
* References should be listed in footnotes, in Arial font size, at least size 8.
* Each page shall carry a header presenting your last name and the acronym,

Please, bear in mind that Fellowships are based on an individual, freely-chosen project within the subjects outlined in the RIS3 strategy of the Community of Madrid. For further details see the CONEX-Plus Guide for applicants and CONEX-Plus Call text.

This document must be submitted as a Pdf attachment; named as: *SurnameName\_PART B*.

Instructions highlighted in grey and table of changes should be deleted.

* **Name of the Principal Investigator (PI)**
* **Proposal summary: abstract from the administrative form Part A**
* (There is a limit of 2000 characters, space and line breaks included, identical.)
* The summary (abstract) should, at a glance, provide the reader with a clear understanding of the objectives of the research proposal and how they will be achieved. The abstract will be used as the short description of your research proposal in the evaluation process. It must be therefore be short and precise and should not contain confidential information.

**Part B.1 – Motivation and Match**

(Maximum of 1 page)

This section has a total weight of 20% and will be evaluated during the interview phase. Only those applicants that have reached the quality threshold and are invited to the interview will be evaluated regarding the Motivation and Match as well as the Impact (B4).

It includes 2 subsections:

**B.1.1 Motivation of the applicant**

Include a brief outline of your main interest in the Institution and the programme, and the added value that CONEX-Plus would bring you.

Researchers should demonstrate how their existing professional experience, talents and the proposed research will contribute to their development as independent/mature researchers, during the fellowship at UC3M.

**B.1.2 Match between the applicant and the host Department at UC3M.**

Briefly mention information regarding the potential supervisor from the UC3M and the complementarity to your research.

Provide evidence of the match between your proposed research and the capabilities of the UC3M Department (Research Group) you will join.

The application must show that the researcher will be well-integrated so that a two-way transfer of knowledge will occur between the researcher and the Department.

**Part B.2- EXCELLENCE**

(Maximum of 2 pages)

The excellence section (B.2) together with the Implementation phase (B.3) have a total weight of 35%.

Excellence Section includes 2 subsections:

**B.2.1 Proposed Research project:**

Provide an introduction, discuss the state-of-the-art, specific objectives and give an overview of the action. Objectives should be realistic and achievable objectives within the duration projects. Objectives should be consistent with the expected exploitation and impact of the project (see section B.4).

Describe any national or international research and innovation activities, which will be linked with the project, especially where the outputs from these will feed into the project or vice versa.

Discuss the interdisciplinary aspects of the action. (Highly recommended to address this aspect in Social Sciences and Humanities areas).

Discuss the gender dimension in the research content (if relevant). In research activities where human beings are involved as subjects or end-users, gender differences may exist. In these cases, the gender dimension in the research content has to be addressed as an integral part of the proposal to ensure the highest level of scientific quality. For guidance, please refer to [EU Gendered Innovation](http://ec.europa.eu/research/swafs/gendered-innovations/index_en.cfm?pg=home).

**B.2.2. Originality and novelty of the Research:**

Explain the originality and innovative aspects of the planned research as well as the contribution that the action is expected to make to advancements within the research field. Describe any novel concepts, approaches or methods that will be implemented

**B.3- IMPLEMENTATION**

(Maximum of 2 pages)

The Implementation phase (B.3) together with the excellence section (B.2) have a total weight of 35%.

Implementation Section includes 2 subsections:

**B.3.1 Methodology and approach of the proposed implementation.**

Describe and explained the proposed methodology and work plan. It must be suitable, feasible and coherent with the objectives (as explained in B.2.1) and the novel approach or method (as explained in B.2.2).

Include a description of any critical risks that may jeopardize the project implementation and the achievement of the stated objectives. Detail any risk mitigation measures.

**B.3.2 Description of the planned secondment.**

Please, bear in mind that:

* Secondments are compulsory for all fellows. It can take place at one or more organisations, which can be located either in Spain or in a Member State or Associated Country (MS/AC), **being the first one mandatory in a non-academic sector.** The secondment phase can be a single period or can be divided into shorter mobility periods (minimum 2 months and maximum 12 months), being the duration of all secondments no more than 12 months.
* Secondments are allowed after the first year of the fellowship. While secondments can take place within the same sector, inter-sectoral secondments are highly encouraged.
* Secondments must be relevant, feasible, and beneficial for the researcher and in line with the project objective (as explained in B.2.1).
* Secondment to the country of the fellow’s nationally or the country where the fellow has worked or lived in the 3 previous years to the call deadline, have to be strongly justified.

Describe the envisaged secondment, giving as much information as possible on the sector, place, timing, the type of organisation **(academic/non-academic)**, duration, its overall purpose and main activities.

If flagged in part A, describe any short visit, giving as much information as possible on the place, timing, the type of organisation duration, its overall purpose and main activities. (It is essential for the applicants to clearly distinguish "secondments" from short visits, please check the Guide for Applicants for further details secondment section).

**B.4- IMPACT**

(Maximum of 2 pages)

The impact has a total weight of 10% and will be evaluated during the interview phase. Only those applicants who have reached the quality threshold and are invited to the interview, will be evaluated regarding the Impact as well as the Motivation& Match (B1).

It includes 3 subsections focusing on the impact.

**B4.1 Contribution to enhancing the potential and future career prospects of the researcher**

Explain the expected impact of the fellowship on your future career prospects. Focus on how the new competences and skills can make you more successful in their long-term career.

**B4.2 Impact of the research to advance within its field and UC3M, as well as two-way transfer of knowledge.**

Describe the contribution that the proposed research is expected to make to advancements within its field if successful.

Describe the contribution to the improvement of the research and innovation potential within Europe and/or worldwide.

Describe any knowledge or capability that you may transfer to the UC3M Department (Research group) you will join.

Explain how you will gain new knowledge during the fellowship at the Department.

**B.4.3 Communication and dissemination Strategy**

Describe how the new knowledge generated by the action will be disseminated and exploited, and what the potential impact is expected to be. Discuss the strategy for targeting peers (scientific, industry and other actors, professional organisations, policy makers, etc.) and to the wider community. Also describe potential commercialisation, if applicable, and how intellectual property rights will be dealt with, where relevant.

Demonstrate how the planned public engagement activities contribute to creating awareness of the performed research. Demonstrate how both the research and results will be made known to the public in such a way they can be understood by non-specialists.

The type of outreach activities could range from an Internet presence, press articles and participating in European Researchers' Night events to presenting science, research and innovation activities to students from primary and secondary schools or universities in order to develop their interest in research careers.

Please, take into account that according to CONEX-Plus Call Text, Fellows will have to engage in open access to peer-review scientific publications, and in at least the following dissemination and public engagement activities:

* 3 scientific publications in a high-impact, peer-reviewed scientific journal (or books and book chapters edited by high-level international editors for the law and humanities areas).
* One poster presentation during an international conference
* One oral presentation during an international conference.
* A poster and present it at the final CONEX-Plus poster session
* Participate at least twice in an event aimed at the general public­ and one targeted to an specific group.
* Make at least 2 contributions to the CONEX-Plus Website.
* Participate at least in one activity to promote their projects among graduate students from the UC3M

For more details refer to the ["Dissemination & exploitation" section of the H2020 Online Manual](http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/docs/h2020-funding-guide/grants/grant-management/dissemination-of-results_en.htm),

[“Communicating EU research and innovation guidance for project participants](http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/other/gm/h2020-guide-comm_en.pdf)” as well as the "[communication section of the H2020 Online Manual](http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/docs/h2020-funding-guide/grants/grant-management/communication_en.htm)”.

**Part B.5- CURRICULUM VITAE**

(maximum of 4 pages)

The Curriculum Vitae (CV) section has a total weight of 35%.

The CV is intrinsic to the evaluation of the whole proposal and is assessed throughout the by the expert evaluators. Ensure that the information provided in Parts A and B is fully consistent. Always mention full dates (dd/mm/yyyy) in your CV.

The CV should be limited to a maximum of 4 pages and should include the standard academic and research record. Any research career gaps and/or unconventional paths should be clearly explained so that this can be fairly assessed by the independent evaluators

It is compulsory to indicate either a Researcher ID or ORCID ID. UC3M highly recommends the use of a unique research identifier [ORCID](https://orcid.org/). It will help the process of evaluation.

**Part B.5- CURRICULUM VITAE**

**Researcher Identification**

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| Surname, Name |  |
| Researcher ID |   |
| ORCID ID  |  |
| URL Website |  |

**Education**

dd/mm/yyyy - dd/mm/yyyy - PhD

 Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution, Country, Town/City

 Name of PhD Supervisor

Topic

dd/mm/yyyy - dd/mm/yyyy - Master

 Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution, Country, Town/City

**Current Positions**

dd/mm/yyyy - dd/mm/yyyy –Current Position

 Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution/ Country, Town/City

**Previous Positions**

dd/mm/yyyy - dd/mm/yyyy –Position held

 Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution/ Country, Town/City

dd/mm/yyyy - dd/mm/yyyy –Position held

 Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution/ Country, Town/City

**Career Breaks**

dd/mm/yyyy - dd/mm/yyyy Indicate the reason and the duration in months.

**Research Grants, Fellowships, Prizes and Awards**

dd/mm/yyyy - dd/mm/yyyy Scholarship,

Name of Faculty/ Department/Centre, Name of University/ Institution/, Country, Town/City

dd/mm/yyyy - dd/mm/yyyy Project Title/ Funding Source/ Role/PI/Amount (No funding when applicable)/

dd/mm/yyyy- Award/Awarding Institution

**Teaching Activities**

dd/mm/yyyy - dd/mm/yyyy Teaching position – Topic,

Name of Faculty/ Department, Name of University/ Institution, Country, Town/City

**Supervision of graduate students or Postdoctoral Fellows**

dd/mm/yyyy - dd/mm/yyyy Number of Postdocs,PhD, Master Students/Topic

Name of Faculty/ Department , Name of University/ Institution/, Country, Town/City

**Organization of scientific Meetings**

dd/mm/yyyy - dd/mm/yyyy Name of the Event, type of event, Role, Type of Targeted Audience, Host Institution, County, Town/City

**Institutional Responsibilities**

dd/mm/yyyy - dd/mm/yyyy Role/Position,

Name of Faculty/ Department , Name of University/ Institution/, Country, Town/City

**Technology transfer such us patents or Commercialisation activities or/and participation in partnerships projects with companies**

dd/mm/yyyy Patent/Patentees/ Patent descriptions/Patent Status (granted, applied, review)

dd/mm/yyyy - dd/mm/yyyy Project Title/ Funding Source/ Role/Amount

**Additional: other relevant academic or scientific merits not mentioned (networking, other research collaboration, other leadership or organizations roles, supervising, reviewing activities, etc…)**

**Publications (max. 2 pages)**

Applicants must submit a list of their most important publications, pointing out the most relevant to their research proposal, as well as their main contributions and their most relevant scientific activities.

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| Total No. Publication | NºQ1 | H-Index: | Total no. of citations | Source of citation data |
| NºJournal Articles | NºReviews | NºBook Chapters | NºBooks | Conference associated publications |

Please Select a list of your most relevant peer-reviewed papers in scientific journals, other peer-review papers, peer-review conference proceeding, books, book chapters, monographs as author/editor

Other such as:

* List of editorial notes, translations and prologue/introductions that are the result of a previous study:
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