These are the evaluation items that the referees will have to answer/have answered in their reports, for your information:

Please comment on each of the evaluation items by referring to its number and please explain your opinion in a few sentences including arguments, rather than using “yes” or “no”.

### 1. Scientific Quality (50%)

1.1 What is your assessment of the design of the project, including clarity of the proposal, goals, hypotheses, research methods, and scientific feasibility? (see Section 2.3)

1.2 To what extent is the proposed research original and how would you rate the scientific innovative elements? (see Section 2.3)

1.3 What is your assessment of the coherence and planning of the proposed research lines? (see Section 2.3)

1.4 Does the proposed research fit in the Open Technology Programme (is focused on applied and technical-scientific research)?\* (see Section 2.4)

\* The scientific scope of the Open Technology Programme includes (all disciplines of) the engineering sciences and the application-oriented practice of mathematics, natural sciences, medical and life sciences.

1.5 Is the research group competent enough to carry out the proposed research? Does the group have a relevant position in the scientific community and is the available infrastructure adequate? (see Section 2.5)

1.6 What is your assessment of the research capacity that can be deployed for the project? Are the requested personnel positions, budget and resources adequate and relevant for the proposed research? (see Section 4)

1.7 Please indicate at least one strong and one weak point of the scientific part of the proposal.

### 2. Impact (50%)

The applicant can choose which type of impact will be leading in the research: scientific impact, societal impact, or a combination of both types of impact (see Section 3.1).

* Scientific impact is the impact of research on the applicant’s own research field, related fields or the broader scientific field.
* Societal impact can be broadly defined as any cultural, economic, industrial, environmental and/or social change that is (partly) the result of the knowledge and skills gained through the proposed research.

2.1 What is your assessment of the applicant’s motivation for the focus on scientific and/or societal impact? (see Section 3.2)

2.2 What is your assessment of the outlined strategy and phased plan for how the proposed research can contribute to scientific and/or societal impact? (see Section 3.3)

2.3 If the proposal focuses primarily on only scientific impact OR societal impact: Does the outlined strategy and phased plan also describe whether, and to what extent, a contribution can be made to type of impact that is not the primary focus? (see Section 3.3).

2.4 What is your assessment of the research group's competence and reputation in terms of knowledge transfer and application of their own research results? (see Section 3.4)

2.5 What is your assessment of the composition and level of involvement of the involved users in achieving scientific and/or societal impact? (see Section 3.5)

2.6 Please indicate at least one strong and one weak point of the impact part of the proposal.

### Data management

The data management section is a compulsory part of the application, but it won’t be an assessment criterion for obtaining funding. It will not be included in the decision of the jury as to whether or not a proposal should be awarded funding. However, for the data management section of this proposal, you can include suggestions and give advice that could be helpful for the researcher in drawing up the data management plan to be submitted after funding is awarded.

If you might have any suggestions or advice on the data management plan, please state it here.

### Thank you for your time and effort.