Dear colleague

This letter is sent to you by one of your previous co-workers, who would like to apply to the second call of our new PSI-FELLOW-II-3i fellowship program for experienced researchers. The post-doctoral program is a Horizon 2020 Marie Skłodowska-Curie COFUND action and will host 60 scientists in total over the project period of 60 months. Two call cycles are planned and 30 postdocs will be appointed per call cycle on a 2-year employment contract. For further information, please visit our website for further information <http://www.psi.ch/psi-fellow/>

Since application to this program is competitive, we would like to kindly ask for your assistance with the recruitment of suitable candidates. For this purpose, a table is incorporated for the rating of 4 criteria and in addition, an open section is included for further comments on the candidate’s strengths and potential limitations. **Completion of both these areas will be valued as your submitted inputs will be part of our evaluation process.** Our aim is to select a diversified and creative group of PSI-II-3i Fellows that are scientific excellent and with great research potential.

May we also kindly ask you to return the signed reference letter to the candidate in due time in order for he/she to return it to us as part of the application dossier by the deadline of application by **30th November 2018**.

Thank you very much in advance for your contribution and support of our PSI-FELLOW-II-3i Program.

Sincerely,

Stefan Müller

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**Form A\_04 / Referee’s report form**

Proposal ID NO[[1]](#footnote-1):

**Please write all names as written on the bottom line of the respective passport. We can only read and print characters as used in the Swiss alphabet.**

**Name of applicant**:

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| Family Name |  |
| First Name |  |
| Email Address |  |

**Name of referee**:

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| Title |  |
| Family Name |  |
| First Name |  |
| Institution |  |
| Department |  |
| Address (Street, Zip Code, City, Country) |  |
| Email |  |
| Phone and Fax No. |  |
| Time period of association with the applicant (date: from – to) |  |
| Function of the referee during that time (e.g. teacher, advisor, etc.) |  |

Please rate the applicant in comparison with other students (place an “X” in the table)

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|  | **Excellent** | **Good** | **Fair** |
| Scientific capability[[2]](#footnote-2) |  |  |  |
| Research potential[[3]](#footnote-3) |  |  |  |
| Personal qualities and approach to be an effective researcher3 |  |  |  |
| Match of scientific background with research environment at Paul Scherrer Institute  <http://www.psi.ch/> |  |  |  |

Please use the following section for further relevant comments about the candidate’s strengths and potential limitations for the PSI-FELLOW-II-3i program.

Date:

Signature:

1. <https://www.psi.ch/psi-fellow/list-of-principle-investigators-and-themes> [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. The scientific capability refers to the applicant's past performance (quality and quantity; skill development) as a researcher. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Research potential of the researcher is reflected by competences such as independent thinking, time and project management, capability for knowledge transfer.

   3 Personal effectiveness as researcher include personal qualities (e.g., responsibility, perseverance), self-management (e.g., time management, flexibility) and professional development (e.g., responsiveness to opportunities, networking). [↑](#footnote-ref-3)