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AIMS Small Research Grants in Climate Change Science

Terms of Reference for Reviewers

Purpose

This document describes the terms of reference for reviewers of applications for the AIMS Small Research Grants in Climate Change Science.

Requirements

- ❖ Reviewers should have substantial, appropriate experience to review the application files assigned to them.
- ❖ Reviewers are required to keep all application files assigned to them in strict confidence.
- ❖ Reviewers shall report any potential conflicts of interest to AIMS, including professional relationships with applicants whose files they have been asked to review.

Conditions

- ❖ Reviewers shall review and score applications sent to them using the Scoring Form provided to them, based on the following criteria:
 - Quality of applicant: academic qualifications; quality of publications; experience in climate change-related research or research uptake; and real-world impact & recognition (e.g. through awards) of prior work.
 - Quality of proposed project: relevance to climate change modelling, practice and policy; strength of connection to the mathematical sciences; experience of applicant in research or project topic; quality of project design; feasibility; suitability of proposed project environment(s); and quality and realism of budget projections.
 - Potential impact.
- ❖ Reviewers shall not be remunerated by AIMS.

Review

This document shall be reviewed, as needed, by an Oversight Committee and the AIMS Secretariat.