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## AIMS NEI Fellowship Program for Women in Climate Change Science

### Terms of Reference for Reviewers

#### Introduction

This document describes the terms of reference for reviewers of applications submitted to the AIMS NEI Fellowship Program for Women in Climate Change Science. This fellowship program seeks to increase the women's participation in, and contribution to, a more sustainable societal response to climate change in Africa. It was made possible by a grant from the International Development Research Centre, Ottawa, Canada, [www.idrc.ca](http://www.idrc.ca), and financial support from the Government of Canada, provided through Global Affairs Canada (GAC), [www.international.gc.ca](http://www.international.gc.ca).

More information about the Fellowship Program is available at: <https://www.nexteinsteinstem.org/research/aims-nei-fellowship-program-for-women-in-climate-change-science/>.

#### Requirements

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

#### Conditions

- ❖ Reviewers will review and score applications sent to them using a defined scoring template based on the following criteria:
  - Quality of candidate: academic qualifications; quality of publications; experience in climate change-related work; real-world impact and 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 candidate in project topic; quality of project design; feasibility; suitability of proposed host institution environment and of named collaborator; quality and realism of budget projections.



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- Potential impact of proposed project on scientific knowledge, practice and policy.
- ❖ Reviewers will not be remunerated by AIMS NEI.

## **Review**

This document will be reviewed annually by both AIMS NEI's Secretariat and the Oversight Committee for the fellowship program.