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REFERENCE FORM 2025-26

APPLICANT

Please complete sections 1-5, and forward the form to your referee together with a copy of your application. Please allow the referee enough time to complete the reference and send to the CBRL UK Executive Officer at info@cbri.ac.uk by **Thursday 20th March at midnight GMT**

REFEREE

Please complete the reference (sections 6 – 12), sign and return the completed form to: the CBRL UK Executive Officer at info@cbri.ac.uk by **Thursday 20th March at midnight GMT**

Please comment in your reference on:

- How long you have known the applicant and in what capacity
- The quality of the proposed project (originality, significance and approach)
- Suitability of the candidate to undertake the research (training, experience and track record)
- Feasibility of the proposed project (likelihood of completion and delivery on time)
- Any other comments you may wish to add

We thank you for your time and co-operation.

1. Name of Applicant

2. Title of Project

3. Title of Referee

4. Full Name of Referee:

5. Email address of Referee, current role and institution where applicable:

REFERENCE

6. Your capacity to review the reference.

What level of expertise do you have in the subject area of this application (please tick one box)?

<input type="checkbox"/>	High - High level of expertise
<input type="checkbox"/>	Medium - Sufficiently knowledgeable to provide an informed opinion
<input type="checkbox"/>	Low - Providing a generalist opinion only

Which aspects of the application are you commenting on?

<input type="checkbox"/>	(a) Whole application
<input type="checkbox"/>	(b) Particular aspects (please specify):

7. Cost effectiveness of the application.

CBRL must ensure that resources are allocated to ensure optimal value for money, considering the financial resources requested against the outputs proposed. The applicant's relevant track record, as well as factors such as impactfulness and in-kind contributions, should be considered.

In your opinion, does this application represent (please tick one):

Excellent value for money	<input type="checkbox"/>
Very good value for money	<input type="checkbox"/>
Good value for money	<input type="checkbox"/>
Satisfactory value for money	<input type="checkbox"/>
Poor value for money	<input type="checkbox"/>

8. Reference

Please consider the proposal's particular strengths and weaknesses, assessing the project's aims, objectives and outputs, and the applicant's ability to deliver on the plans (unlimited wordcount).

9. Overall research assessment.

Please to judge the excellence of the project proposal by ticking one box

Outstanding: exceptional scholarly merit and originality; expected to have major scholarly impact.	
Excellent: at the forefront of the field; will advance understanding.	
Very good: generally competitive scholarship.	
Good: quality scholarship, but not leading edge	
Of merit: modest advance in the field	
Will probably not advance the field or produce new, useful knowledge	
Will not advance the field	

10. Based upon your assessment of excellence, risk-reward and cost effectiveness (see below), would you recommend this proposal for funding?

Yes

No

12. Signature and date

Double-click to upload signature file

X _____
Print Name:
Date:

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