**Appendix 2: Application form AAU Excellence: Phase 1 Expression of interest**

Phase 1 applications for the AAU Excellence must be completed in this template. The application itself must comprise max 1000 words excluding formalities, references and appendices.

Applications must address the following criteria (500 words with scientific vision and 300 words with career potential and 200 words with host environment):

1. Scientific vision

Scientific vision is assessed on the applicant’s ability to formulate own research ambitions within the next five to ten years (the originality of the proposed research vision, potential impact, scientific approach, and feasibility).

2. Career potential

Career potential is assessed on the applicant’s research skills, scientific achievements, level of independence as a researcher, communication skills, collaborations, international network, and research stays abroad. The applicant is asked to describe how the applicant envisions to enhance research skills to be competitive for a tenure position at an international research institution.

3. Host environment

The applicant’s host environment and research environment are assessed on support and guidance from more established scientists, suitability for the applicant’s career development, commitment and scientific competences and facilities.

Appendices to be included in the application:

* Short research CV and a list of publications (max 2 pages). Highlight up to the three most important research publications.

Applications must be written in English. Please use 11 point Calibri font and single spacing.

The application should be written in a language that can be understood by non-experts within the field without being over-simplified.

**APPLICATION FORM: AAU EXCELLENCE - PHASE 1 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

**FORMALITIES:**

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| APPLICANT  |
| Name of applicant: |  |
| E-mail address: |  |
| Phone number: |  |
| Faculty |  |
| Department: |  |
| Research group: |  |
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| EXTERNAL REVIEWERS |
| Please provide the names of three possible external reviewers from within your own field of research. Two of the three must be employed at universities outside of Denmark. Your suggestions will be part of a selection of two external reviewers. Please be aware of any conflict of interest in the suggested reviewers. The selection will be made by the scientific steering committee of AAU Excellence. The external reviewers will only be contacted if you are chosen to proceed to phase 2. The final selection of reviewers will be anonymous. Please list 3 names: |
| **Name:** | **Position:** | **University:** | **E-mail:** |
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| 1. SCIENTIFIC VISION (max 500 words) |
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| 2. CAREER POTENTIAL (max 300 words) |
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| 3. HOST ENVIRONMENT (max 200 words) |
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