**Evaluation and recommended ranking of the applicants for the position as Research fellow (PhD) in ………………….  
Department of ………….., University of Bergen**

**Text in red is for guidance.**

*Please remember that this is a two-part evaluation:*

* *The first part is based on the candidates’ applications and scientific accomplishments.*
* *The second part (red box) contains impressions from interviewing the top candidates, and information from references.*

*It is imperative that the two parts do not overlap, i.e. more specifically the first part must not contain information from interviews and references. This is due to the candidates’ rights to review the information from the evaluation report.*

*Please remember that it is the Head of Department’s responsibility to assess whether teaching (or other) duties should be added to the position (in the event that this has been advertised).*

This 4-year position as Research fellow (PhD candidate) in the ………….. research group was announced with an application deadline ……………………….. The position is financed by the University of Bergen. Alternativt: *The position is affiliated to the research project “……………………..…..”, funded by the ……………….. programme from the Research Council of Norway/other source(s).*

**The applicants**

At the application deadline *dd/mm/yyyy, xx* candidates had applied for the position.

Navneliste, generert fra søkerliste – enten i alfabetisk rekkefølge eller etter ID   
(tips: hvis svært mange søkere, lim navnelisten inn i en tabell med 2–3 kolonner)

1. *Name (applicant number)*
2. *Name (applicant number)*
3. *Name (applicant number)*

……..

**The evaluation committee**

On dd.mm.åååå the Head of Department appointed a committee to evaluate the applications consisting of the following members:

* ***First name Surname,*** *title*, Department of ………………, University of Bergen (chair)
* ***First name Surname****, title*, Department of ………………, University of Bergen
* Eventuelt ***First name Surname****, title*, Department of ………………, …..

**Qualifications and personal qualities**

The committee has evaluated the applicants in accordance with the criteria listed in the advertisement text:

(kopier fra utlysningsteksten)

All the applicants have been asked to include the following in their application:

*(copy from “Your application must include:” in the advertisement text)*

**Evaluation of the applicants**

The evaluation committee initially selected the candidates who seemed to fulfil the criteria listed in the advertisement text. These candidates were further evaluated with respect to how well they cover the area of expertise sought after and whether they have the specific skills required, based on the provided material. Furthermore, we have evaluated the candidates’ motivation for applying, their research interests and how well this position would fit into their career plans judged from the application letter.

Based on the given criteria the candidates were divided into three groups:

*NB! The description of the candidates’ qualifications, and/or lack of qualifications, must refer directly to the criteria listed in the advertisement text (and thus be easily recognizable for those who are not familiar with the subject area, for instance members of the hiring board who will be the ones giving the final approval of the case).*

1. **Candidates who failed to demonstrate** in their application that they fulfil one or more of the **requirements** for the position (relevant MSc, **required** competence (cf. advertisement text) (background that gives good understanding of the research topic), and/or did not provide all the material required for the assessment (see above). Therefore, the following candidates were not considered further (applicant number in brackets):  
   *First name Surname (applicant number), First name Surname (applicant number), etc……*
2. **Formally competent candidates who also fulfill all *requirements* in the announcement,** but who fell short of the top candidates on one or more criteria (advantages), and are therefore not considered further:   
   *First name Surname (applicant number), fell short on the following criteria…*

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*etc……*

1. **The top candidates***First name Surname (applicant number), First name Surname (applicant number), etc……*

**A summary of the top candidates (in alphabetic order) is given below:**

***First name Surname*** (…. years old)

The applicant obtained a Bachelor in ……….. at the University of ………….. in yyyy. *He/she* has a Master in …………… from the University of ………….. in *yyyy* (*It is essential to verify that the PhD thesis has been submitted according to the wording in the advertisement text)*.

*He/She* also stayed abroad at the Institute of ………., …………. (*town*), ………… (*country*). [*other working experience*]. *He/She* has good knowledge and skills in …………….. (*subject area and relevant methods*). *He/She* is the first author of one scientific article published in …………….in *yyyy*.

*He/She* is (*highly* / *well)* formallyqualified for the PhD position.

***First name Surname*** (…. years old)

The applicant obtained a Bachelor in ……….. at the University of ………….. in yyyy. *He/she* has a Master in …………… from the University of ………….. in *yyyy* (*It is essential to verify that the PhD thesis has been submitted according to the wording in the advertisement text)*.

*He/She* also stayed abroad at the Institute of ………., …………. (*town*), ………… (*country*). [*other working experience*]. *He/She* has good knowledge and skills in …………….. (*subject area and relevant methods*). *He/She* is the first author of one scientific article published in …………….in *yyyy*.

*He/She* is (*highly* / *well)* formallyqualified for the PhD position.

*Etc. …*……………..

NB! Interviews can only be performed after the evaluation committee has received confirmation that the ranked candidates meet the criteria for admission to the PhD program. This confirmation will also include information about whether any of the candidates need to document that he/she fulfills the [faculty’s English language requirements](https://www.uib.no/en/matnat/52899/admission-doctoral-education-faculty-mathematics-and-natural-sciences" \l "english-language-requirements-for-phd-admission). Failure to produce such documentation should not exclude a candidate (and the candidate will be required to submit this at a later date). However, it is the committee’s responsibility to evaluate the candidates’ English skills during the interviews in relation to the language requirements in the announcement. The HR-consultant must be informed about the preliminary ranking. Obtaining the confirmation normally takes 1-2 days.

**Recommended ranking based on the candidates’ formal qualifications**

*Compare how the qualified candidates level up to each other, and the discussion should be clear in leading to the conclusion and ranking of the top candidates based on formal qualifications.*

1. *First name Surname*
2. *First name Surname*
3. *First name Surname*
4. …

Based on the above, the candidates *First name Surname (applicant number), First name Surename (applicant number),* … and … were summoned to interviews. The interviews were conducted over Skype/at the department. *The Head of Department/The Research Group Leader/The Project Leader* was present at the interviews. The committee has also contacted referees.

**Interview notes** (motivation, presentation and communications skills / language and other skills / personal fitness)

**Note:** Interview notes, referee reports and the comparison are exempted from public disclosure and will therefore not be sent to the candidates. In case of a formal complaint, the candidate complaining will be entitled to read the interview notes concerning him/her.

***First name Surname***

*……………………………*

***First name Surname***

*……………………………*

***First name Surname***

*……………………………*

**Referee reports** (the referees’ names must **not** be included in the report)

***First name Surname***

*The referees ……..*

***First name Surname***

*The referees ……..*

***First name Surname***

*The referees ……..*

**Comparison of top candidates**

Compare how the qualified candidates level up to each other. The discussion should be clear in leading to the conclusion and final ranking of the top candidates. ………………………………

**Conclusion and recommended ranking**

*Please remember that*

1. *at least three candidates should be ranked,* ***if*** *three candidates are found to be qualified*
2. *if fewer than three candidates has been ranked, the committee should consider if any of the candidates in group 2 (that is, the candidates who fulfill* ***all the required qualifications****) should be invited for an interview. If not, please provide an explanation.*
3. *candidates who are* ***not*** *qualified must not be ranked.*

Based on all credentials, references and interviews the committee recommends the following ranking:

1. *First name Surname*
2. *First name Surname*
3. *First name Surname*

*Date, month, year*

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Signature | Signature | Eventuelt Signature |
| First name Surname Job title UiB | First name Surname Job title UiB | First name Surname Job title Organization |