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	+ **margins** (top, bottom, left, right) of **at least 15 mm** (not including any footers or headers).
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**RESEARCH PROPOSAL TEMPLATE**

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WIT Fellowship Programme

Second Call (2023)

**Name of applicant:**

**Selected area of the proposal:**

[ ]  Automotive-Mechatronics & Advanced Manufacturing

[ ]  Health

[ ]  Energy

[ ]  Artificial Intelligence (applied as a cross-sectional area to the three previous areas)

**Research proposal (max. 5 pages)**

**1) Title and short abstract of the Proposal.**

(max. 2000 characters, space and line breaks included)

**2) Objectives, theoretical framework and methodology.**

* Provide an introduction, discuss the state-of-the-art, specific objectives and give an overview of the action.
* Explain the originality and innovative aspects of the planned research as well as the contribution that the action is expected to make to advancements within the research field.
* Describe any novel concepts, approaches or methods that will be implemented.
* Discuss the interdisciplinary aspects of the action and the adequacy to carry it out within the framework of WIT research group chosen and partner institutions available.
* Mention measures to exploit and disseminate the project results to interested stakeholders.

**3) Work plan and feasibility (time schedule and project costs); resources required.**

Propose the methodology to carry out the research proposed. Include a work plan grouping the different tasks in work packages and plotted in a chronogram. Indicate major results and milestones. Explain how the capabilities, resources and infrastructures of the host research group matches with the work Plan. Identify and describe possible risks and plan of contingency. Describe how the work plan includes secondments and/or short stays in partner organizations and any planned activities for management of knowledge transfer.

**4) Innovative potential and impact of the project.**

Discuss the expected impacts of your research project at different levels:

1. on your own career development (new competences and skills you will gain, expertise, new opportunities for your long term career, re-enforcing professional maturity / independence…).
2. on the research group (advancements in the field, international network, knowledge transfer, etc.).
3. on the regional and national context (relevance of your research in the WIT ecosystem context, how new knowledge generated will be disseminated and exploited, describe if a commercial application is envisaged and how IPR will be dealt).