Joint Cocoa Research Fund

Proposal Application Form

TEMPLATE

**1. Topic / Full Project Title**

**2. Project Acronym**

**3. Summary**

**3.1 Background**

(Literature and patent overview, identification of main gaps in research)

**3.2 Work Plan**

(Research strategy to fill identified gaps)

**3.3 Expected Outcome**

(Application development and knowledge transfer to the user group)

**4. Economic relevance**

**4.1. Scientific, technical and economic issue**

(Description of the issue faced at cocoa farm, cocoa bean, semi-finished product or chocolate level etc. and its economic impact i.e. monetary losses faced by the respective stakeholder groups)

**4.2. Economical relevance of the expected results**

(Description of how project results can be used to minimize the above described economic impact i.e. monetary losses and who are the applicants)

**5. Scientific and technical approach**

**5.1. State of research and development**

(Full review of relevant scientific literature as well as patents, expertise of the applicants on the topic, preliminary research work on the proposed topic, identification of main gaps in research hindering the development of solutions and applications)

**5.2. Research aim and working hypothesis**

(Description of the expected outcome and which applications will be developed)

**6. Solution strategy**

**6.1. Work plan and milestones**

(Description of the overall work plan, techniques used and how single steps are linked with each other, collaborations with other institutes)

Work Package (WP) X

(Detailed description of the single work package)

Milestone X

(Expected outcome of the WP in one sentence)

**6.2. Work diagram**

(Overview on the timing for each of the WP, description of the number of scientists, the working hours and the working period i.e. years needed)

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|  | Project Month |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| WP1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WP2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WP3  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WP4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WP5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WP6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WP7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| WP8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Final Report |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**7. Budget plan (in EUR)**

* Staff / Human Resources (gross salaries, including social security charges etc.)
* Consumables
* Purchasing of Equipment
* Travel Costs
* External Analytical Services
* Office Support and Shipping Costs
* Administrative Fees
* Grand Total

**8. Transfer of the project results**

**8.1. Potential application by the user group**

(Description of how the results / applications can be established and used by the respective user groups)

**8.2. Plan for the knowledge transfer to the user groups**

(Description of how the knowledge transfer to user groups is supported and maximized by the researchers)

**9. Project Participants**

(Names, institutes, contact details)

**10. Literature**