**APPENDIX 2 - The funding application** (to be filled out in English)

*The document uses Times New Roman font type, 12 font size, 1 line spacing and 2 cm margins. Any modifications to these parameters are forbidden (excepting the tables, figures or their captions). The pages exceeding the established limits will not be taken into consideration in the evaluation process.*

*The black text marks the mandatory sections of the funding application and the grey text contains the requested information to be filled out by the applicants.*

**Project leader:** *Name and First Name*

**B. The project leader** (maximum 3 pages)

**B1. Curriculum Vitaeof the project leader**

*There will be indicated the BrainMap ID (the person unique code) generated from the* [www.brainmap.ro](http://www.brainmap.ro) *platform.*

*There will be indicated also the web page address where the PhD thesis can be found (abstract or full version).*

**B2. Defining elements of the outstanding scientific achievements of the project leader**

1. Articles

*There will be indicated the most relevant 5 papers published by the project leader, from the theme field of the project proposal, explicitly mentioning the own contribution to these papers and the indexing in the Web of Science Core Collection. There can be indicated also articles accepted for publication, by mentioning the date of acceptance. The evaluation will look in particular to the articles in which the project leader is the main author4, but where there are published paper works as co-author which the project leader considers relevant to hers or his scientific production, they may be indicated.*

1. Books/ chapters (including monographs):

*There will be indicated the most important (maximum 5) works: books, chapters, monographs, articles, critical editions, dictionaries, encyclopedias.*

*School or university textbooks are not taken into account even if they are published in prestigious international publishing houses.*

**B3. Significant and representative scientific achievements**

*There will be presented the most important contributions of the project leader in hers or his research field (e.g. findings or results that have led significantly to a better knowledge in the field). Within the presentation, there will be highlighted the following aspects: (1) relating these contributions to the topic of the proposed project; (2) reflecting these contributions in its publications (especially as main author); (3) how these scientific contributions illustrate the independent researcher activity of the applicant and its international visibility; (4) HIRSCH Index (there will be indicated according to Web of Science Core Collection, SCOPUS and Google Scholar).*

4 According to OMECTS no.4478/2011, Appendix 2, Section Definitions, art. 1

**C. The mentor** (maximum 2 pages);

**C1. Curriculum Vitae of the mentor**

*There will be indicated BrainMap ID (the person unique code) generated from the account from* [*www.brainmap.ro*](http://www.brainmap.ro) *platform.*

**C2. The list with the most important scientific publications**

*There will be indicated the most important publications of the mentor (maximum 6), with the explicit mention of indexing in Web of Science, from 2009 – present.*

**D. Research project description** *(maximum 7 pages)*

*In this chapter there will be indicated, in detail, the scientific context, the goal, the objectives, how to implement the objectives (the project activities), the outputs and the necessary resources.*

**D1. Issues**

*There will be justified the scientific motivation of the project theme by delimiting the issue addressed in the context of the state of the art in the scientific field. There will be highlighted the following three issues: (1) the importance of the issue from scientific, socio-economic or cultural point of view; (2) the elements of difficulty of the issue; (3) the limitations of current approaches by analyzing the state of the art of the knowledge related to the project topic.*

**D2. Objectives**

*There will be presented the project approach in principle, highlighting the following two aspects: (1) the specific objectives of the project; (2) the elements of originality and innovation that the implementation of the objectives brings to the field, in relation to the state of the art of the knowledge and related to projects where the applicant was involved (if the case);*

**D3. Impact**

*There will be discussed the aspects related to the potential impact of the project in the broader frame of the scientific field, with emphasis on the following aspects: (1) the potential to significantly influence the scientific field through new concepts or approaches, and if necessary, by opening of new themes or research directions; (2) discussing the potential impact of the project in the scientific, social, economic or cultural environment and/or the applicative directions to be explored within the project (where applicable for the proposed research direction);*

**D4. Methodology**

*There will be presented in detail the methodology of the research, stating, where possible, certain key intermediate goals. In elaborating this section there will be highlighted the following aspects: (1) choosing the methods and instruments of investigation, in relation to the newest approaches from the theme field, and how they will be integrated; (2) a work plan, spread in time, which will describe the organization and planning of the project in relation with the proposed objectives; (3) description of the undertaken outputs; (4) description of the potential risks and approaches through which these risks would be addressed.*

**D5*.* Ethical aspects (if appropriate)**

*There will be made a short description of the ethical aspects involved, including the source of the biological material; how are treated the ethical aspects according with the standard rules and the applicable regulations; there will be highlighted the benefits of the research as well as its effects and how the ethical aspects will be involved.*

**D6. Resources and budget**

*There will be presented the relevant existing resources for the project implementation, as well as the necessary resources, which will be procured within the project. There must be described in detail the existing research infrastructure and laboratories where the research will be made (there will be indicated the link from the platform* [*www.erris.gov.ro*](http://www.erris.gov.ro)*) and how they could support the research activities presented in the project. When new equipment will be procured with a value higher than 45,000 lei (price that includes VAT) is necessary to include a justification of the role of such equipment within the project. The budget breakdown by types of expenses and project years must also be indicated and justified. The types of expenses that are distributed in the budget are: personnel, logistics, travel and indirect expenses (overhead).*

Bugdet Breakdown (in lei):

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| **Budget chapter (expenses)** | **Year 1**  **(lei)** | **Year 2**  **(lei)** | **Total budget**  **(lei)** |
| **Personnel** |  |  |  |
| **Logistics** |  |  |  |
| **Travel** |  |  |  |
| **Indirect** |  |  |  |
| **Total** |  |  |  |

**D7. Bibliography** (maximum 2 pages)