My Experience as FET Evaluator

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My Experience as Evaluator of Projects

- European Science Foundation
- European Commission
- Swedish Knowledge Foundation
- Qatar National Research Fund
- Research Council of Norway
- Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research,
- Swiss National Science Foundation
- Inamori Foundation, Japan
- American Chemical Society
- FAPESP, Brazil

FET Open Research and Innovation Actions

- Exploration of new foundations for radically new future technologies
- Early stage, high risk visionary science and technology
- New ideas
- Highly interdisciplinary research approaches
- Dissolve traditional boundaries between scientific fields
- Excellent young researchers
- High tech SMEs
- Scientific and industrial leaders of the future

FET- Open RIAs Scope

- Long-term vision: far beyond the state-of-the art, not currently foreseen by technology roadmaps
- Scientific ambitious and and technologically concrete breakthrough
- Novelty: Cutting edge knowledge, new ideas and concepts
- Foundational: basis for a new kind of technology, not currently anticipated
- Hight risk
- Interdisciplinary: mutual learning, cross-fertilization and synergistic advances

My Impression on low scored projects

- Did they read the call text?
- Several proposal seems to be written by the same writer (hot air)
- Why every mm of the page should be filled?
- Lack of clear message – What? Why? How?
- Recycled proposals
- I will convince the evaluator that my idea is new
- I will convince the evaluator that my team is multidisciplinary
- Ambition vs time vs resources
- Distribution of PM, justification of resources
- Squeezed figures, complex diagrams

My impression on highly scored projects

- Call text was carefully considered
- Clear and well justified long term vision and targeted breakthroughs
- Novelty, non-incrementality, plausibility and foundational character
- Research methodology and interdisciplinarity
- Impact on technology and society, future leadership
- How impact will be achieved?
- Concise implementation: WP, Management, Expertise, Rational distribution of resources
- Honest, clear and well justified

Thank you

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