*This template is meant to provide you guidance and advice for constructing your project proposal. Please follow it as closely as possible to allow our community and eventually the reviewers to provide you with the best possible feedback and evaluations.*

*Please make optimal use of the space provided here and in the online form to best describe your project and avoid unnecessary repetitions.*

*Maximum Length of the project: 4 pages (not including references)*

*Minimum font: 10pt*

*Margins: please do not change*

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*The word count of individual sections are suggestions, adjust their length if needed. Feel free to include graphs and schematics. Delete all the instructions (in blue) before submitting.*

**Project Title**

*(maximum 15 words)*

**Project Acronym**

**Introduction and background**

*(around 500 words)*

*Describe the state of the art in the field. Motivate the work you propose and why it is needed/timely.*

**Research question and hypothesis**

*(around 200 words)*

*State and describe the main research question(s), specific aims and hypothesis underlying your project*

**Detailed project description**

*(around 1000 words)*

*Detailed description of what the postdoc will be doing during the two years of the project.*

**Methods**

*(around 200 words)*

*What methodology will be used in your project? Describe specific techniques and approaches.*

**Timeline**

(around 200 words)

*Detail the length of different stages of the project and the timing of particular actions.*

**Complementarity between the two teams**

(around 100 words)

*Explain your competencies and what makes you the best teams to work on this project.*

**Originality, innovation, and interdisciplinarity**

(around 100 words)

*Specifically identify and describe the novel, innovative and interdisciplinary aspects of your project.*

**Main challenges and potential pitfalls**

(around 200 words)

*What will be the most difficult aspects of the project? What could potentially not work? How would you adjust your project in that case?*

**Budget**

*(table + around 100 words)*

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|  | Year 1- DIM | year 1- labs contribution (1) | Year 2-DIM | Year 2- Labs contribution (1) |
| Research materials, consumables |  |  |  |  |
| External Services |  |  |  |  |
| Publication cost |  |  |  |  |
| Travel |  |  |  |  |
| Postdoc salary | 55000 |  | 55000 |  |
| **TOTAL** | **80000** |  | **80000** |  |

1. lab contribution via valorisation of labs resources (equipment, consumables, technicians etc).

*Budget narrative. The postdoc allocation will be 55000€ per year. Please detail how you will spend the complementary envelope of 15000€/year.*

**Speculation**

(around 150 words)

Use this section to describe and speculate what may be the outcome and impact of your project, along social, educational, economical, health and/or other relevant axis.

**References**

(max 15 references)

Use a numbered format, and include a full name of the study. For example, the 2015 Ig Nobel winning paper in biology would be cited as follows:

[1] Grossi B., Iriarte-Díaz J., Larach O., Canals M., Vásquez R. A. Walking like dinosaurs: chickens with artificial tails provide clues about non-avian theropod locomotion. PLoS ONE, vol. 9, no. 2, 2014, e88458.

References **do not count** towards the 4-page limit of the proposal.