OWSD Early Career Fellowship

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION and COVID-19 situation

OWSD understands that in 2022 the COVID-19 pandemic is still impacting university operations globally and will continue to be flexible when reviewing applications this year. However, all application requirements remain valid as in previous years and applicants are expected to demonstrate that they meet the selection criteria.

Any documents that have to be produced by public offices (e.g. local police office, municipality or population registry office for *Proof of residence* purposes) and university officials (such as *Proof of employment* and the *Supporting statement of the head of applicant's institution*) but cannot be obtained within the application deadline can be substituted with a self-certification form (the template can be downloaded in PDF or Word format) explaining the reasons for the lack of the formal document.

The self-certification can be done only if the *university/applicant's institution* has been already contacted and informed about the Early Career Fellowship application but cannot produce the document in time. In this case, applicants are asked to submit proof that they have tried to obtain the official documents (for ex. confirmation of university closure, email exchanges with university offices/administrative offices, any official notice from the government). If nominated for the OWSD Early Career Fellowship, the award will be confirmed only after the official documents have been presented to OWSD upon request.

You are still expected to submit all other required documents for application as specified in the Early Career Fellowship Call for applications. Please note that reference letters (and the selection committee pay close attention to referees' recommendations) sent to applicants via email can be saved as files, including the sender's email address and date of sending and attached as documents to the online application. Electronic signatures whenever possible should be included in the referees' letter.

Any documents that the applicant should already have in their possession such as the passport copy, photo, PhD certificate, CV, language certificates, publications list, project timeline and budget file must be submitted as usual.