## **APPENDIX III: Postgraduate Evaluation Criteria & Detail**

Postgraduate Evaluation Criteria & Detail	Evaluation Marks
<ol> <li>PROJECT: Quality of the research project including (40%):         <ul> <li>Clarity and coherence of the proposed research project.</li> <li>Quality and appropriateness of approach, including research methodology, and consideration of ethical and sex/gender issues and the limitations of the approach to be adopted.</li> <li>Feasibility and credibility of the proposed research plan in the proposed time period.</li> <li>Originality and innovative nature</li> <li>Dissemination plans</li> <li>Direct alignment with Strategic Funding Partner themes as set out in Terms and Conditions, where appropriate</li> </ul> </li> <li>Training and Career Development Aspects of proposal (10%):         <ul> <li>Clarity and quality of Training and Career Development Plan to acquire new knowledge and skills to achieve research and professional development aims<sup>5</sup>.</li> <li>Evidence of real thought as to why research is to be undertaken and the impact of the proposed award on the applicants' career path.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	50% (0-50)
<ul> <li>2. APPLICANT: Capability of the applicant including:</li> <li>Track record and research potential of the applicant.</li> <li>Personal Statement.</li> <li>Referees' reports.</li> <li>Match between applicant profile and research project.</li> </ul>	30% (0-30)
<ul> <li>3. ENVIRONMENT: Suitability of the host organisation(s):</li> <li>Suitability and ability of Supervisor(s) to provide adequate supervision.</li> <li>Quality of infrastructure and facilities provided by Host Organisation(s).</li> <li>Match between applicant, Supervisor(s) and Host Organisation(s).</li> </ul>	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Particular attention should be paid to the skills relevant to employment outside the traditional academic sector.