

Referee Form for Recommendation

Applicant's Name: _____

This student is applying for admission to the PRISMA++ Fellowship program. Applicants are asked to forward this form to two referees who can provide an insightful assessment about the candidate's abilities to thrive in the program. The selection system is highly competitive and we kindly ask you to give your frank opinion about the academic and personal qualities of the candidate.

The Referee Form for Recommendation should be submitted from an institutional email account to mpa@uni-mainz.de before **February 28th, 2026**.

1. How long have you known the applicant?
2. In what capacity have you known the applicant (supervisor, teacher)? _____
3. Please rate the candidate's overall academic performance and promise relative to a representative group of students with a comparable level of education:

Top 5%					
Exceptional	Top 10% Outstanding	Top 15% Very Good	Top 50% Good	Below Top 50%	

4. Please rate the candidate according to the following criteria using the given scale:

	Top 5%	Top 10%	Top 15%	Top 50%	Below Top 50%	Unable to Judge
Theoretical Knowledge						
Intellectual Potential						
Experimental Ability						
Creativity						
Ability to work in a team						
Ability to work independently						
Motivation						
English Language Skills						

Overall impression (Please provide a one page summary of your overall impression of the candidate and their qualifications for the PhD program. You may include any relevant information not covered in the above sections.)

Name of Referee:

Position of Referee: _____ Institution: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____