## Annex I. Extended version of the Action Plan

(highlighting with yellow underline all the implemented changes)

#### **TEMPLATE 4: ACTION PLAN**

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Name Organisation under review:

Spanish National Research Council (CSIC)

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#### 1. ORGANISATIONAL INFORMATION

Please provide a limited number of key figures for your organisation. Figures marked \* are compulsory.

STAFF & STUDENTS	FTE
Total researchers = staff, fellowship holders, bursary holders, PhD. students either full-time or part-time involved in research	5063
Of whom are international (i.e. foreign nationality)	356
Of whom are externally funded (i.e. for whom the organisation is host organisation)	2182
Of whom are women	1375
Of whom are stage R3 or R4 = Researchers with a large degree of autonomy, typically holding the status of Principal Investigator or Professor.	2998

Of whom are stage R2 = in most organisations corresponding with postdoctoral level	622
Of whom are stage R1 = in most organisations corresponding with doctoral level	1442
Total number of students (if relevant)	957
Total number of staff (including management, administrative, teaching and research staff)	10541
RESEARCH FUNDING (figures for most recent fiscal year)	€
Total annual organisational budget	727.681.911,91
Annual organisational direct government funding (designated for research)	465.696.416,81
Annual competitive government-sourced funding (designated for research, obtained in competition with other organisations – including EU funding)	218.345.116,57
Annual funding from private, non-government sources, designated for research	43.640.378,53

## ORGANISATIONAL PROFILE (a very brief description of your organisation, max. 100 words)

The Spanish National Research Council (CSIC) is a State Agency ascribed to the Ministry of Science and Innovation, for scientific research and technological development, and the largest public institution in Spain dedicated to research and one of the most renowned of the European Research Area (ERA).

Main competences are generation of knowledge, transfer of results, creation of technology-based enterprises, expert advice provided to institutions, highly qualified pre-doctoral and post-doctoral training, promotion of scientific culture in society, management of large facilities and unique scientific and technical infrastructures, presence and representation in international bodies.

## 2. STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES OF THE CURRENT PRACTICE:

Please provide an overview of the organisation in terms of the current strengths and weaknesses of the current practice under the four thematic headings of the Charter and Code at your organization.

Thematic heading of the	STRENGTHS and WEAKNESSES
Charter and Code	
Ethical and professional	Strengths.
aspects	CSIC clearly allows freedom of research.
aspects	<ul> <li>Predominantly positive general assessment on ethical and professional aspects.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The CSIC counts on an Ethics Committee, providing regulations on ethical issues.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The CSIC counts on its own Code of Good Scientific Practices of CSIC and a Manual of Conflicts of Interest (October 2015).</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>An open access policy has been implemented and an institutional repository is available (Digital.CSIC).</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Several units, including the Ethics Committee, Deputy Vice-Presidency (VATC), Vice-Presidency for International Affairs (VRI) and Vice-Presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) provide information updated and train researchers.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The CSIC Strategic Plan 2018-2021 is the road map that accompanies the CSIC's strategy.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>CSIC's economic balance and administrative processes are regularly audited.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Support services for research management and transparent accountability.</li> </ul>
	CSIC also has an Occupational Risk Prevention Unit.
	<ul> <li>CSIC has a Deputy Vice-Presidency (VATC) that oversees the assistance and training of issues related to IP.</li> <li>Several actions are in progress within Strategic Plan 2018-2021.</li> </ul>
	• Dissemination and outreach. CSIC is the Spanish institution with the highest international projection in the press media.
	<ul> <li>Leadership in Scientific Culture activities, CSIC counts on a Deputy Vice-Presidency for Scientific Culture (VACC), which is very active in direct engagement with the public and disseminating science and being the ones who receive the most funded projects from the FECYT.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Related to dissemination, outstanding participation of researchers and variety of actions and events.</li> <li>Open Access Institutional Policy.</li> </ul>
	• The CSIC has an Equality Plan and a Strategic Action Plan 2018-2021 that includes annual aims and specific lines of action (disseminated through the CSIC's webpage).
	Weaknesses

	<ul> <li>In general, there is a lack of training for researchers on several of these aspects.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Lack of training and better diffusion for R1-R4 on Ethical principles.</li> </ul>
	The dissemination of the information among the research community requires improvements, particularly for
	newcomers. It is scattered in several documents and intranet pages.
	<ul> <li>Vast majority of researchers are not familiar with the national and CSIC's own regulations.</li> </ul>
	Documents and relevant information are not written in English.
	General lack of institutional recognition of outreach activities.
	There were no direct procedures to evaluate the research activity of R1 and R2 researchers hired within research
	projects.
Recruitment and selection	Strengths.
	<ul> <li>Attractiveness of the scientific positions of the CSIC in the national and international context.</li> </ul>
	As a public entity, it has an open procedure for the selection and recruitment of research staff, management staff
	and collaborators in research tasks.
	The CSIC complies with national and regional legislation regarding the composition of the selection committees.
	There is a job bank, including regulations for the recruitment of researchers funded by research projects.
	Weaknesses
	CSIC does not have an official OTMR policy approved.
	Although the recruitment procedures are aligned in their main aspects with the OTM-R principles, they do not
	fully meet the Charter & Code and OTM-R items.
	Information is scattered in several documents.
	Excessive administrative burden in research management.
	<ul> <li>Recommendations and training to selection committees could be improved.</li> </ul>
	Lack of publication of job offers on Euraxess.
	Foreigners are not familiar with the Spanish general recruitment information.
	Information about job offers could be improved.
	National regulations slow down the hiring of foreign researchers.
	<ul> <li>CSIC is not a funding organization, so it does not have an own call for proposals for R2.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Lack of actions to facilitate the continuity of R2 researchers.</li> </ul>
	• Various reasons, such as national legislation or Spanish extended budgets compromise the stabilisation and
	promotion of postdoctoral researchers.
Working conditions	Strengths
	Ability to compose interdisciplinary teams.
	Offer a scientific-technical-management environment capable of attracting and retaining the best research teams
	and ensuring that they identify with the institution.

- Tackle projects with a mission-oriented approach, understanding their role in a more complex ecosystem, in which innovators, industries and government agencies participate, to achieve greater impact.
- CSIC dimension and presence at international, state and regional level.
- Suitable working environment in terms of health and safety conditions, facilities and infrastructures heritage and scientific facilities and equipment.
- Heritage and scientific facilities and equipment.
- Connection with relevant European and international initiatives.
- Collaboration with the university environment.
- Reference position as a national and regional research body.
- Scientific Excellence, it is well-developed research activity and areas of expertise.
- Professional recognition. The National law of science covers it.
- Innovation capacity.
- Prestige of the 'CSIC' brand.
- The CSIC's Staff Management Manual outlines several points of the Charter & Code.
- Quality and Innovation 2018-2021.
- The CSIC's Health & Safety Office prepares guidance documents, advises on risk assessments, and arranges external safety audits.
- Representation at the highest international level to position the CSIC in decision-making bodies.
- CSIC launches its Award for Excellence in Prevention of Occupational Risks "Ramón Tobar"
- CSIC's Social Action Plan.
- It is CSIC's policy to offer a s much security of tenure as possible and to ensure the optimum duration of contract.
- CSIC applies a state initiative called "accumulated hours" for family reconciliation, among other initiatives included in the CSIC's work calendar
- Until now, CSIC has drafted two equality plan and counts on a Women and Science Committee Women and a Science Commission.
- "Gender Equality Accreditation Seal".
- In addition, CSIC also has recently updated the protocol against sexual harassment.
- A survey on sexual harassment and gender abuse has been conducted in September 2019.

#### Weaknesses

- Working conditions are regulated by different labour laws and collective labour agreements that could create a strict legal framework.
- Organizational complexity of the CSIC.
- Need for the renovation of centre buildings, facilities and equipment of the centres.
- Management procedures require greater agility and flexibility.

	<ul> <li>Although the Training Cabinet provides a great number of training courses, and there is a centralized information section on the CSIC's intranet, there is a general lack of awareness, and the design could be improved.</li> <li>Gender policy could be improved.</li> <li>Executive structure with limited management training.</li> <li>There is a general concern about the few opportunities for consolidation of employment.</li> <li>General lack of career advice and mentoring for researchers.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>General lack of development of very clear career paths for researchers who want to work with industry, academia or teaching.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Although technology-based companies or spin offs are widely contemplated, there is low cross-sectoral mobility, especially towards industrial environments.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Information about funding, salaries, professional development, access to career advice, mobility, or there is none or it is scattered on the web/intranet.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Salaries are established by national regulations and collective agreements, being thus less attractive than industrial salaries.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Being a research institution and not a university, teaching could not be considered as the main activity of our researchers.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>There is not an Ombudsman or a Mediator figure to deal with complaints/appeals of researchers.</li> <li>R's perception of not participating in the different representative bodies.</li> </ul>
Training and development	Strengths.
	The CSIC's Annual Plan actions within the CSIC's Strategic Plan 2018-2021 will be committed to continuing access to offer research training and continuous development.
	<ul> <li>The Training Cabinet is committed to the continuous development of on-site personnel and offers a broad range of courses.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>A well-established relationship with PhD schools among universities, most of them with an internal quality management system to continuously improve the training and evaluation of R1 researchers. The School of Doctoral Studies mediates in conflicts between R1 researchers and their supervisors.</li> <li>CSIC has organised, for the very first time, a CSIC PhD Day (June 2019).</li> </ul>
	Weaknesses
	Capacity in the training of researchers, technicians and specialists.      Slowness to adjust to new changes and requirements to semain competitive in attracting researchers.
	<ul> <li>Slowness to adjust to new changes and requirements to remain competitive in attracting researchers.</li> <li>The relationship with supervisors is not a topic that is formalised or protocolised within the framework of the</li> </ul>
	• The relationship with supervisors is not a topic that is formalised or protocolised within the framework of the CSIC.
	<ul> <li>Most researchers and service staff are not aware about of the HRS4R and Charter &amp; Code principles.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Lack of teaching being recognised as an important asset.</li> </ul>
	Mentorship is informally provided by the supervisor.

Lack of tracking of the career destinations of former researchers.
<ul> <li>Lack of specialized training on team management and group leadership for researchers.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Supervisory and management duties are not sufficiently recognized in a formal manner.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Perception that supervisors might have to undergo the appropriate training.</li> </ul>

#### 3. ACTIONS

The Action Plan and HRS4R strategy must be published on an easily accessible location of the organisation's website.

Please provide the web link to the organisation's HR Strategy dedicated webpage(s):

\*URL: https://www.csic.es/es/formacion-y-empleo/estrategia-de-recursos-humanos-para-investigadores-hrs4r

Please fill in a sum up list of all individual actions to be undertaken in your organisation's HRS4R to address the weaknesses or strengths identified in the Gap-Analysis:

Proposed ACTIONS	GAP Principle(s)	Timing (at least by year's quarter/semester)	Responsible Unit	Indicator(s) / Target(s)
<b>General Aspects</b>				
A1. HRS4R Kick-off and follow-up	ALL	First semester 2021 – Second semester 2022	vice- presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) President's Office / General Secretariat	T: Kick-off: The Steering Committee of HRS4R is the decision-making body in charge of strengthening awareness, commitment and implementation of the Charter & Code criteria.  T: Implementation of "Follow-up Working Group (FWG)" (6-8 members): Creation and implementation of a working group with the task of deploy the HRS4R Action Plan actions, control the quality and follow-up of indicators, awareness of HRS4R in the research community and HHRR services, communicate the advances to CSIC's Steering Committee; made up of people in charge of each topic, representatives of the different specific areas and services, and R1

			(SEGE)	to R4 researchers. Incorporate new researchers that wish to join the FWG and to become "Delegates for HRS4R".  T: Follow-up and Support: The TO will coordinate the deployment of the HRS4R Action Plan, connecting the Specific Working Teams with the FWG. In addition, TO will oversee reporting to the FWG, give support for the preparation of deliverables, and ensure that all documents are delivered in an online version in Spanish and English. The TO will also be responsible for a dynamic workflow articulated along the plan: follow up on indicators and elaborate reports for internal and external evaluation, a cloud tool for easy access to information (wiki), regular meetings, ad-hoc subcommittees with key people for specific matters depending on the evolution of the process, quality control and international benchmark.  Additionally, it will evolve, in a coordinated fashion, the communication plan, and the continuous evaluation process.  I: WG HRS4R constituted.  I: WG OTMR constituted.  I: Surveys to address the awareness (Quality Observatory).
A2. Implementation of a diffusion HRS4R campaign. To carry out the campaign to publicise the actions contemplated in the CSIC's action plan for the full implementation of Charter & Code, HRS4R and OTM-R.	ALL	First semester 2021 - Second semester 2022	Vice- presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) President's Office / General Secretariat (SEGE)	T: Awareness: The goal is to attain an increasing application of the C Charter & Code criteria in the research community and in everyday research practices.  T: Dissemination campaign including info days, leaflets, online multilingual material explaining the advantages of the application of the Charter & Code principles and specific information and updates about the strategy.  T: Organize an OTM-R and Charter & Code seminar for the research and HHRR staff community to present the Action Plan.  T: Organize periodical briefings in various departments to influence the dissemination of the Charter & Code key lessons to research staff.  T: Organize periodical briefings with the institution's management committee, departments and boards to introduce the OTM-R and Charter & Code key lessons to the administration staff.  I: Details and number of diffusion/communication actions.  I: Nº attendees and online participants in HRS4R/Charter &

A3. Establishment of a working group to establish and completion a Welcome Manual and subsequent dissemination. A tool specifically designed to help new researchers and employees, providing the relevant information to facilitate a proper and quick integration into the CSIC work environment and managing the services and resources available at the CSIC.	3. Professional responsibility. 4. Professional attitude. 5. Contractual and legal obligations. 6. Accountability. 7. Good practice in research. 8. Dissemination, exploitation of results. 10. Non-discrimination. 13. Recruitment (Code). 24. Working conditions. 27. Gender balance. 28. Career development. 30. Access to career advice. 31. Intellectual Property Rights. 32. Co-authorship. 33. Teaching. 34. Complains/ appeals. 35. Participation in decision-making bodies. 36. Relation with supervisors. 37. Supervision and managerial duties. 38. Continuing Professional Development.	Second semester 2021 - First semester 2022	President's Office - General Secretariat (SEGE)	Code/OTM-R seminars.  I: Online material available.  T: Collect all the welcome information from the CSIC and disseminate it in a timely manner.  T: The manual should be easy to find, short, user-friendly, visually attractive, simple (infographics) and elaborated in collaboration with representatives from ICUs and scientists at all stages of the career, as they know better what needs to be included in a Welcome Manual from a practical point of view.  In addition to what other units have suggested, VORI suggests to include issues like:  • The organisation and internal regulations of the CSIC as a whole and in the new employee's ICU.  • Infographics to show where to find relevant information for each category on the CSIC website or intranet (e.g. user cases)  • Centralised FAQs regularly updated and ordered by popularity.  T: Include information about the scientific and technological equipment available at the research groups, institutes and research centres, highlighting the available singular scientific and technological institutes (ICTS), Interdisciplinary Thematic Platforms (PTI), Services catalogue, ESFRI). Also, include other available scientific services, outside of CSIC, that could be accessed by the CSIC researchers. and different regulations (GDPR, confidentiality, patents, conflicts of interest, etc.).  I: Steering Committee approval.  I: Working group set up.  I: Number of downloads/consultations.  I: Publication of the Welcome Manual.
	38. Continuing Professional			•

		40. Supervision.			
A4.	Translate into English the documents to be determined by "Follow-up Working Group (FWG)". Update and translate into English documents	5. Contractual and legal obligations. 10. Non-discrimination. 12. Recruitment. 13. Recruitment (Code). 15. Transparency (Code). 24. Working conditions.	First semester 2021 – Second semester 2022	President's Office - General Secretariat (SEGE)	T: In English (whether or not on the intranet) those essential documents that facilitate the foreign scientific personnel stay (Welcome Manual) and those documents that directly affect their employment relationship with CSIC (for example, employment contracts, translations without legal validity, informative only). T: The CSIC website will be available in English in its entirety.  I: Number of general information documents translated.  I: Number of contracts signed by foreign research staff with a sworn translation as an attachment as is done with the MSCA.
A5.	Set up a working group to establish and conduct an analysis on Charter & Code training needs. The CSIC's Global Training Catalogue (offered by the Training Cabinet/ General Secretariat (SEGE), Department for Postgraduate and Specialisation (DPE), Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT), ETC) will be evaluated and aligned with the current CSIC/HSR4R Strategic Plan. It will be a work in progress as it will be adapted to the existing courses and develop new ones, to stay up-to date with the evolving needs of our researchers.	3. Professional responsibility. 5. Contractual and legal obligations. 8. Dissemination, exploitation of results. 9. Public engagement. 18. Recognition of mobility experience (Code). 24. Working conditions. 30. Access to career advice. 31. Intellectual Property Rights. 36. Relation with supervisors. 37. Supervision and managerial duties. 38. Continuing Professional Development. 39. Access to research training and continuous development.	Second semester 2021  – First semester 2022	Vice- presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) / General Secretariat (SEGE)	T: Increase training in the principles of Charter & Code and OTM-R.  T: Training materials for all personnel, mainly based on manual material mentioned above and the scheduled Charter & Code training courses.  T: Reinforce the diffusion of the training offers, especially for R1 and R2 researchers, of Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT), General Secretariat (SEGE) and Vice-presidency for International Affairs (VRI), in cross-disciplinary training and teaching. Further define the target groups (senior, postdoctoral researchers and PhDs) and develop custom training- ongoing.  T: The Charter & Code affects the entire institution so course design and assistance will be encouraged to all personnel, included research management and administration staff. In order to facilitate HRS4R correct implementation and assimilation as part of the CSIC corporate culture.  T: Dissemination of the NEFOR application, which recollect the training needs of all CSIC institutes, among all personnel, and encourage them to use it.  I: Nº of new courses.  I: Total Nº of attendees.  I: Nº attendees by R.  I: Satisfaction survey and report of results and recommendations.

	40 Suponvision			
A6. OTM-R Study, evaluation and development of an institutional policy in this area. Reflection of the OTM-R policy in all actions concerning the recruitment of research staff.	40. Supervision.  5. Contractual and legal obligations. 7. Good practice in research. 10. Non-discrimination. 11. Evaluation/ appraisal systems. 12. Recruitment (Code). 14. Selection (Code). 15. Transparency (Code). 16. Judging merit (Code). 17. Variations in the chronological order of CVs (Code). 18. Recognition of mobility experience (Code). 19. Recognition of qualifications (Code). 20. Seniority (Code).	Second semester 2021 - Second semester 2022	General Secretariat (SEGE)	T: Creation of the "OTM-R Working Team", consisting of representatives of all services with competence in selection and recruitment of researchers. Tasks:  i) Analyse and reviewing the processes of selection and recruitment of researchers.  ii) Collect the whole set of internal rules regarding the advertisement, selection and hiring of the research staff at all levels within the CSIC, as well as the procedures and practices associated to them.  iii) Follow up of the implementation for the progressive adaptation to the OTM-R system.  iv) Awareness, training and dissemination on OTM-R policy for the Management team, administrative staff and lead researchers. Organize a specific seminar aimed at HHRR managers, researchers responsible of recruiting processes, FWG's members, etc. to present the updated norms and Recruitment Guide.  v) Continuous internal monitoring and follow-up.
development of an institutional policy in this area. Reflection of the OTM-R policy in all actions concerning the recruitment of	14. Selection (Code). 15. Transparency (Code). 16. Judging merit (Code). 17. Variations in the chronological order of CVs (Code). 18. Recognition of mobility experience (Code). 19. Recognition of qualifications (Code).	- Second semester	Secretariat	advertisement, selection and hiring of the research staff at all levels within the CSIC, as well as the procedures and practices associated to them.  iii) Follow up of the implementation for the progressive adaptation to the OTM-R system.  iv) Awareness, training and dissemination on OTM-R policy for the Management team, administrative staff and lead researchers. Organize a specific seminar aimed at HHRR managers, researchers responsible of recruiting processes, FWG's members, etc. to present the updated norms and Recruitment Guide.
	38. Continuing Professional Development. 39. Access to research training and continuous development.			community. I: Schedule periodical briefings to the institution's management committees and boards to introduce the key lessons of OTM-R and Charter & Code to the administration staff.

A7. Creation of the "HRS4R documents" repository in a specific area of the Intranet. There is not a centralised repository of information about CSIC activities, facilities, regulations and other issues, and this information is not provided to the newcomers. To overcome this situation, CSIC will enable a specific document repository in CSIC intranet with all the information regarding the principles of Charter & Code Internal and External Rules and legislation.	ALL	First semester 2021 - Second semester 2022	General Secretariat (SEGE)	T: Information and support to all researchers. This repository will be prepared, accessible in Spanish and English, distributed among all the researchers and incorporate into the welcome manual for researchers and online.  T: Improve communication between Direction, Board, Researchers and Administration (Infographics and use cases could be useful).  T: Creation of the repository to provide information and support to all researchers (provide infographics and practical examples).  I: Number of downloads/consultations. I: Survey to find out if there is demand for information on the topic HRS4R/repository satisfaction. I: Number of documents available.
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Proposed ACTIONS	Main GAP Principle	GAP Principle(s)	Timing (at least by year's quarter/semest er)	Responsible Unit	Indicator(s) / Target(s)			
<b>Ethical and Professional As</b>	pects							
Ethical topics								
A8. Design of training courses online/on-site on ethical topics	2. Ethical principles.	2. Ethical principles.	Second semester 2021	President's Office / General Secretariat (SEGE) Deputy Secretary General for Human Resources (SGARH)	T: Expand training in ethical issues. I: Number of courses taught. I: Number and type (R1 to R4) of attenders. I: Participants' feedback (Satisfaction survey).			

A9. Greater dissemination of everything related to the Ethics Committee (to be included in the Welcome Manual).  Improvement of the promotion and coordination of the courses.	2. Ethical principles.	2. Ethical principles.	Second semester 2021	President's Office / General Secretariat (SEGE) Deputy Secretary General for Human Resources (SGARH)	T: Researchers are informed about the new training offer of the Ethics Committee.  T: Use of different tools: Social Media, website, seminars, networking, newsletter, etc.  I: Information has been added to the Welcome Manual.  I: At least 20% of new training contents offer.  I: Public engagement website published.  I: Achieve at least 50% attendance of R1 and R2 researchers to training courses number of researchers informed, the number of downloads.
A10. Completion of the update of the Scientific Good Practices. Update of the Code of Good Practice, in alignment with the Charter & Code and OTM-R.	7. Good practice in research.	<ol> <li>Research freedom.</li> <li>Ethical principles.</li> <li>Professional responsibility.</li> <li>Contractual and legal obligations.</li> <li>Accountability.</li> <li>Good practice in research.</li> <li>Dissemination, exploitation of results.</li> <li>Research environment.</li> <li>Working conditions.</li> <li>Intellectual Property Rights.</li> <li>Co-authorship.</li> </ol>	Second semester 2020 - First semester 2021	President's Office (Ethics Committee)	T: Code of Good Practices on Research updated. T: Code of Good Practices available and widely disseminated among the research community. T: This guide will be accessible in Spanish and English, available to be downloaded from the CSIC's webpage and will be publicly among the research centres (seminar or webinar). It will be provided to the newcomers together with the welcome manual.  I: Steering Committee approval. I: Nº Downloads or visits. I: Survey to measure the usefulness and scope of the guide among the research community
A11. General transfer guide	8. Dissemination, exploitation of results.	<ul><li>3. Professional responsibility.</li><li>5. Contractual and legal</li></ul>	First semester 2021 - Second semester 2022	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical	T: This guide will be accessible in Spanish and English, available to be downloaded from the CSIC's webpage and will be

		obligations.  8. Dissemination, exploitation of results.  31. Intellectual Property Rights.		Research (VICYT) / Deputy Vice- Presidency for Knowledge Transfer (VATC)	publicly among the research centres (seminar or webinar). It will be provided to the newcomers together with the welcome manual.  I: Guide Published.  I: Webpage monitoring (Number of visits).  I: Number of downloads.
A12. Support to the Open Science strategy, via the institutional repository DIGITAL.CSIC and Open Access publishing support programme	8. Dissemination, exploitation of results.	8. Dissemination, exploitation of results.	First semester 2021 - Second semester 2022	Vice-Presidency for Institutional Affairs and Organisation (VORI) / Unit of Scientific Information Resources for Research (URICI)	T: Increase the OA dissemination of CSIC's research results.  T: Promotion of services related to research results (impact and visibility): Author profiles, ORCID, DOI, FAIR.  T: Training and Professional Development around Open Access, Open Data, Data Management Plans, FAIR Data.  I: 100% production CSIC OA 2021/2022 (green/gold way).  I: 50% increase in author profiles - CSIC research groups at IR 2021.  I: Linking Open Access and internal evaluation policies CSIC (2020>).  I: No. training courses on OA/OD/RDM issues (2020-2022).  I: Implementing Digital Preservation Policy (2021).
A13. Create the CSIC's Prize for Scientific Dissemination. Recognize the continuous effort of the CSIC's staff for the dissemination of scientific results.	9. Public engagement.	9. Public engagement. 22. Recognition of the profession.	Second semester 2021	Vice-Presidency for Institutional Affairs and Organisation (VORI) Deputy Vice-Presidency for Scientific Culture (VACC)- General Secretariat	T: To increase awareness among the CSIC's staff and the visibility of the public as a whole by rewarding the best projects I: Design of the Award. I: Number of applications received. I: Dissemination of selected projects (social media, television, websites, etc.)

				(SEGE) (Assistant Secretary General for Economic Affairs (SGAAE)	
A14. Implementation of a monitoring system. Deploy a management tool to individualize the programming and monitoring of contracts / research projects	11. Evaluation/ appraisal systems.	<ul><li>11. Evaluation/ appraisal systems.</li><li>29. Value of mobility.</li><li>33. Teaching.</li><li>40. Supervision.</li></ul>	First semester 2022	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) Department for Postgraduate and Specialisation (DPE)- Deputy Vice-Presidency for Scientific Planning (VAPC) - General Secretariat (SEGE) Assistant Secretary General for Information Technology (SGAI)	T: Establish procedures for the programming and monitoring and evaluation of R1 and R2 researchers hired within research projects.  T: Define and write guidelines.  T: We propose to issue a monitoring certificate for the R1, and R2 researchers funded by research projects, to certify their good performance and the description of technical abilities that they have performed during the contract. This certificate will be useful to demonstrate their experience for other selection processes both in and outside of academia.  I: Creation of guidelines or official procedures for the monitoring of R1 and R2. These guidelines will be accessible in Spanish and English, available to be downloaded from the CSIC's webpage and will be publicly among the research centres (seminar or webinar). It will be provided to the newcomers together with the welcome manual.  I: Nº of R1 and R2 monitored.  I: Number of monitoring certificate provided.

A15. "Promotable". Scientific- technical monitoring "where you are in the scientific cloud", action to know your scientific situation in order to promote.	11. Evaluation/ appraisal systems	11. Evaluation/ appraisal systems. 17. Variations in the chronological order of CVs (Code). 18. Recognition of mobility experience (Code). 19. Recognition of qualifications (Code) 20. Seniority (Code). 22. Recognition of the profession. 29. Value of mobility.	First semester 2021 <mark>Second</mark> semester 2021	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) / Deputy Vice- Presidency for Scientific and Technical Areas (VAACT)	T: Communicate to the researcher at what stage of his professional career he/she is. T: System adapted to the researcher for his/her promotion. T: This monitoring will be managed through the Promotable tool, a technology developed by the Kampal Data Solutions spin off, which collects, classifies and updates the most relevant indicators of scientific production.  I: Full implementation of the tool. I: Number and type (R1 to R4) of researchers who have used the tool and promoted it.
A16. Promotion and improvement of the management of scientific projects: Undertake a set of structured actions to promote and improve project management.	6. Accountability.	<ul><li>4. Professional attitude.</li><li>5. Contractual and legal obligations.</li><li>6. Accountability.</li><li>24. Working conditions.</li></ul>	First semester 2021 <mark>Second</mark> semester 2021	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) (Deputy Vice- Presidency for Scientific Planning (VAPC) - General Secretariat (SEGE)	T: Actions that include:  • specialized management training in project management from an integral perspective, which contemplates them from the beginning to the end,  • the revision of the calculation of indirect project costs by defining a model agreed with the Spanish State Research Agency (AEI),  • The establishment of an Integrated Project Monitoring Office and an Income and Expenditure Audit Office.  I: Nº of courses.  I: Number of attendants.  I: % of R1, R2, R3 and R4 attendants.

Non-discrimination							
A17. Promoting the integration of the gender dimension in research projects. Raise awareness within the CSIC community of the importance of including a gender perspective in all regular activities or gender within research projects.	10. Non-discrimination.	10. Non-discrimination. 27. Gender balance.	First semester 2021 - <mark>Second semester 2021</mark>	President's Office (Equality Commission) - Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT)	T: Train researchers on incorporating sex and gender analyses into research projects and content.  T: Use the knowledge provided by gender and sex analysis to improve scientific research methods and innovation.  I: Nº of activities I: Nº of training workshops for researchers I: Statistics on projects that include gender in research content.		
A18. Mention and recognition of the LGTBI collective. Study and analysis of the situation of the LGTBI collective.	10. Non-discrimination.	10. Non-discrimination. 27. Gender balance.	First semester 2022	President's Office (Women and Science Commission)	T: Study and analysis of the situation through a survey to have a real diagnosis of the situation.  T: The survey will be studied and different measures or actions to be carried out during the period of accreditation of the seal will be evaluated.  T: Survey results will be studied, so specific actions to be implemented will be studied/evaluated.  I: Conduct of the survey. I: Number of people completing the survey.		

Recruitment and Selection									
Increase visibility and transparency									
A19. Publication on EURAXESS Jobs Portal. To give greater international visibility to the offer and the institution, as well as greater transparency in contracting.	12. Recruitment.	12. Recruitment. 13. Recruitment (Code). 15. Transparency (Code).	First semester 2021 - Second semester 2022	General Secretariat (SEGE)	T: Improvement of the management of the job offers.  T: Through the CSIC website and the intranet, information will be given about the services of the EURAXESS portal and provide a link to the portal.  T: Use of the CSIC's Database of Expressions of Interest for the uploading of both hosting and job offers.  I: Number of Number of job advertisements and hosting offers published on EURAXESS.  I: Evolution in the number of CSIC accounts open on EURAXESS portal.				
A20. Development of a Database of Expressions of Interest. (BDEI). Design and implementation of a corporate tool to increase the number and transparency of CSIC's job offers.	12. Recruitment.	12. Recruitment. 13. Recruitment (Code). 15. Transparency (Code).	First semester 2021 – Second semester 2022	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) Department for Postgraduate and Specialisation (DPE) – General Secretariat (SEGE) Assistant Secretary General for Information Technology (SGAI)	T: Provide greater transparency.  T: Guideline will be accessible in Spanish and English, available to be downloaded from the CSIC's webpage and will be publicly among the research centres (seminar or webinar).  I: Nº of offer descriptions published in English.  I: Nº of offer descriptions published on BDEI.  I: Nº of job descriptions published on BDEI then on EURAXESS.				

A21. Guide for candidates to civil servant research staff in the CSIC. Guide to present the practical terms and conditions of the application, the competition process itself and the recruitment procedure.	14. Selection (Code).	12. Recruitment. 13. Recruitment (Code). 14. Selection (Code). 15. Transparency (Code). 16. Judging merit (Code). 18. Recognition of mobility experience (Code). 19. Recognition of qualifications (Code). 20. Seniority (Code).	First semester 2022	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) / Deputy Vice- Presidency for Scientific and Technical Areas (VAACT) - General Secretariat (SEGE)	T: Transparency and providing information on the process.  This guide will be accessible in Spanish and English, available to be downloaded from the CSIC's webpage and will be publicly among the research centres (seminar or webinar).  I: Guide published. I: Guide in English/Spanish. I: Nº of downloads.
A22. Modernise the Recruitment Portal interface for applicants: Improve the accessibility to employment in the CSIC.	12. Recruitment.	12. Recruitment. 13. Recruitment (Code). 15. Transparency (Code).	First semester 2021	General Secretariat (SEGE) - Deputy Secretary General for Human Resources (SGARH)	T: Promoting the use of e-tools for the whole recruitment, considering job advertisements and reduce the administrative burden for candidates and selection committees.  I: Update of the portal. I: Satisfaction survey of the portal.
Tribunals					
A23. Drafting of Charter & Code and HRS4R recommendations for tribunals. Awareness, training and dissemination of the HRS4R/ OTM-R principles and procedures to the selection committee and staff responsible of the recruiting process.	14. Selection (Code).	12. Recruitment. 13. Recruitment (Code). 14. Selection (Code). 15. Transparency (Code). 16. Judging merit (Code). 17. Variations in the chronological order of CVs (Code). 18. Recognition of mobility experience (Code). 19. Recognition of qualifications (Code). 20. Seniority (Code). 29. Value of mobility.	Second semester 2021	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) / Deputy Vice- Presidency for Scientific and Technical Areas (VAACT)	T: Improve the alignment of the CSIC selection boards' practices and procedures with the principles of the Charter and Code. T: Including specific recommendations of support/best practice to help alignment the recruitment priorities for CSIC researchers. T: This guide will be accessible in Spanish and English, available to be downloaded from the CSIC's webpage and will be publicly among the research centres (seminar or webinar). It will be provided to the newcomers together with the

					welcome manual.  I: Recommendations guide approved. I: Number of visits/downloads of recommendations. I: Satisfaction survey related to the application by the jury of the recommendations, evaluate and review and propose actions if adequate.
A24. Training for tribunal members: Design and implement a pilot programme "Training programme for members of selection committees" (on line webinar or semi-on site).	14. Selection (Code).	12. Recruitment. 13. Recruitment (Code). 14. Selection (Code). 15. Transparency (Code). 16. Judging merit (Code). 17. Variations in the chronological order of CVs (Code). 18. Recognition of mobility experience (Code). 19. Recognition of qualifications (Code). 20. Seniority (Code). 27. Gender balance.	Second semester 2021	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) / Deputy Vice- Presidency for Scientific and Technical Areas (VAACT)	T: Training the Selection Committee members, committing to compliance with the principles contained in the Charter & Code and OTM-R.  T: The Selection Committee members will have to know and understand the Charter & Code principles and be commitment to apply objectively the defined scales, constantly endeavouring to select according to the principles of merit and ability in a multidimensional curriculum.  I: Number of trained members. I: Publish in the website, include in Welcome Manual. I: The Satisfaction survey evaluates and reviews and proposes actions if adequate.
A25. Propose and create a Working Group on Analysis and prospective in the Research Assessment in the CSIC. CSIC's Governor Council will create a "Research Assessment Working Group" working group to study and analysis of the Research Assessment in the CSIC.	15. Transparency (Code).	<ol> <li>Ethical principles.</li> <li>Recruitment.</li> <li>Recruitment (Code).</li> <li>Selection (Code).</li> <li>Transparency (Code).</li> <li>Judging merit (Code)</li> <li>Recognition of the profession.</li> </ol>	Second semester 2021	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) / Deputy Vice- Presidency for Scientific and Technical Areas (VAACT)	T: Assess the implications of the CSIC's signing of the DORA Declaration. A document will be the result of the working group's process of study and analysis. It will be the basis for discussing and approving the signature of the DORA Declaration by the CSIC, and for a future work plan to implement DORA principles in the CSIC.  T: To look into the robustness of research assessment processes for grant allocation

WORKING CONDITIONS AN	ID SOCIAL SECURITY				and career progression aligned to the "Research Assessment Practices" from Science Europe.  I: Creation of the group. I: Number of working group meetings. I: Document resulting from actions.
A26. Design and provision of an Attention Service for Research Staff. Design and implementation of a service for the reception welcome and assistance to researchers.	24. Working conditions.	10. Non-discrimination. 12. Recruitment. 13. Recruitment (Code). 19. Recognition of qualifications (Code). 23. Research environment. 24. Working conditions. 29. Value of mobility.	Second semester 2021 – First semester 2022	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) Department for Postgraduate and Specialisation (DPE)	T: Define CSIC the units implicated in the centralised service for the welcoming and reception of new researchers, it could include services for: Support services on arrival, stay and departure: visas, residence permits, taxes, Social Security, health system, welcome and cultural integration actions, language, accommodation, family support, nursery school, processing of degree equivalences, etc. The website will have available in both Spanish and English this kind of information.  I: Creation of the Service. I: Website or website section published and updated. I: Number of consultations received and resolved.
Recognition of the profession					
A27. Creation of a prize related to the novelty in research results and the impact and/or relevance in research.  Recognition, through an award, of the research work of	22. Recognition of the profession.	22. Recognition of the profession.	Second semester 2022	President's Office  – Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT)- General	T: To design the contest and the call on a yearly basis: a prize for scientific labour for the 4 categories of the different scientific profiles (R1, R2, and R3-R4).  I: Dissemination of the announcement and

research staff.				Secretariat (SEGE) Assistant Secretary General for Economic Affairs (SGAAE)	awarding of the prize (newsletter, social media, email, etc.).  I: Number of awards granted I: Award-winning researchers.
A28. Creation of "The CSIC most relevant PhD Thesis Award". Encourage professional and academicals recognition of R1 researchers.	22. Recognition of the profession.	22. Recognition of the profession.	First semester 2021	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) Department for Postgraduate and Specialisation (DPE) - General Secretariat (SEGE) (Assistant Secretary General for Economic Affairs (SGAAE)	T: Design the essentials of the contest and a call on a yearly basis. I: Dissemination of the announcement and awarding of the prize (newsletter, social media, email, etc.). I: Number of awards granted I: Award-winning researchers.
A29. Promote greater recognition of R1, R2, and R3 in the annual (Jun-Jul) research staff awards. To make visible and promote institutional recognition of the CSIC's research staff.	22. Recognition of the profession.	22. Recognition of the profession.	First semester 2021 (annual)	President's Office	T: Modification of the information request template including all the R.  T: At the level of the President's Office-ORGC: Promote the presence of R1, R2 and R3 in the ceremony of recognition in the assembly hall.  T: At the level of ICUs: Consider R1, R2 and R3 in the filling of the template sent to ICUs (with division by Rs).  I: Number of awards received by RI-R3.  I: Number of recognitions in the assembly hall of R1-R3.

Improve work conditions						
<b>A30.</b> Investment in basic infrastructures and centres.	24. Working conditions.	24. Working conditions.	Second semester 2020 - First semester 2021	General Secretariat (SEGE)	T: Actions are planned in Galicia, Asturias, Comunidad Valenciana, Castilla y León, Cataluña, Islas Baleares, y Comunidad de Madrid, from the drafting of the projects to the continuation/completion of the works.  I: Number of institutes involved.	
A31. Conduct a survey on working conditions, including aspects related to:  • Professional development.  • Mental health and wellness.  • Workplace and sexual harassment.  To know the situation of the research personnel in these subjects.	24. Working conditions.	10. Non-discrimination. 24. Working conditions.	Second semester 2022	General Secretariat (SEGE)	T: Analysis, evaluation and implementation of measures where appropriate. I: Number of people incorporated in the pilot programme.	
A32. Implementation of a teleworking pilot programme. Study and design of a teleworking programme.	24. Working conditions.	24. Working conditions.	Second semester 2022	General Secretariat (SEGE)	T: Offer greater flexibility in working conditions. I: Number of people incorporated into the pilot programme.	
Funding and salaries						
and R2 call (FSE application + 2021-2027). Define the procedures to generate a to promote the employability and training of people in order to achieve the EU objectives (If the Ministry of Labour finally gets the funds).	26. Funding and salaries.	20. Seniority (Code). 21. Postdoctoral appointments (Code). 25. Stability and permanence of employment. 26. Funding and salaries. 28. Career development.	Second semester 2022	General Secretariat (SEGE)	T: Incentivise the incorporation and retention of talent.  I: Publication of calls. I: Number of researchers hired.	

A34. Submit launch proposal to the MSCA- COFUND programme. If granted, the CSIC will launch calls for proposals for R1 and R2.	26. Funding and salaries.	20. Seniority (Code). 21. Postdoctoral appointments (Code). 25. Stability and permanence of employment. 26. Funding and salaries. 28. Career development. 29. Value of mobility.	Second semester 2020 — Second semester 2021	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) Department for Postgraduate and Specialisation (DPE) - Vice- presidency for International Affairs (VRI)	T: Incentivise the incorporation and retention of talent.  I: Publication of calls. I: Number of researchers hired.
A35. Study of a new option: indefinite contracts associated with a line of research. Development by the CSIC of the first final provision of Royal Decree Law 3/2019, of 8 February, on urgent measures in the field of Science, Technology, Innovation and University.	26. Funding and salaries.	20. Seniority (Code). 21. Postdoctoral appointments (Code). 25. Stability and permanence of employment. 26. Funding and salaries. 28. Career development.	Second semester 2022	General Secretariat (SEGE)	T: To offer greater stability to both researchers and lines of research.  I: Number of contracts associated to a research line. I: Number of lines of research. I: Approval of CSIC regulations/instructions.
Improve stability and permanence of	employment				
<b>A36.</b> Distinguished researchers' figure: Study of the situation of the figure in the CSIC.	25. Stability and permanence of employment.	20. Seniority (Code). 21. Postdoctoral appointments (Code). 22. Recognition of the profession. 25. Stability and permanence of employment.	Second semester 2021	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) / Deputy Vice- Presidency for Scientific and Technical Areas (VAACT) - General Secretariat (SEGE)	T: Agreement with the Ministry on the development of the ID figure. T: Establishment of a regulatory framework for the promotion to Research Scientist. T: Improvement in salary conditions: to reach an Out-of-Convention Doctor (known as FC1).  I: Number of distinguished researchers that promotes. I: Salary of an Out-of-Convention Doctor (known as FC1) reached or recognised.

A37. Call for proposals to the extension of MSCA-IF contracts. Design and launch of a call for proposal to fund and provide stability to MSCA-IF researchers granted and developing the stay in the CSIC.	25. Stability and permanence of employment	20. Seniority (Code). 21. Postdoctoral appointments (Code). 25. Stability and permanence of employment. 26. Funding and salaries. 28. Career development. 29. Value of mobility.	Second semester 2020 - First semester 2021	Vice-presidency for International Affairs (VRI)	T: Granting of an annual extension that allows them, during that period, the preparation of an ERC STG or COG project with CSIC.  I: Number of extensions granted. I: Number of IF researchers who join the CSIC on a stable basis in the medium term (5 years).
A38. Update and publication of the salary tables. In line with the OTM-R policy, to be defined and implemented in the CSIC, to give greater transparency to the salary tables.	26. Funding and salaries.	15. Transparency (Code). 26. Funding and salaries.	Second semester 2021	General Secretariat (SEGE) - Deputy Secretary General for Human Resources (SGARH)	T: Provide more transparency. I: Update of the table. I: Number of visits received.
Increase support for mobility					
A39. To widen the scope of participants who can participate in own calls for mobility/internationalisation (I-link, I-coop). New more open approach (both as a profile of the applicants and as part of the CSIC team), and reinforcement in own internationalization calls (I-link and I-coop).	29. Value of mobility.	18. Recognition of mobility experience (Code). 26. Funding and salaries. 29. Value of mobility.	Second semester 2020 - First semester 2021	Vice-presidency for International Affairs (VRI) — General Secretariat (SEGE) Deputy Secretary General for Human Resources (SGARH) — Vice- presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) Department for Postgraduate and Specialisation (DPE) - Deputy Vice-Presidency	T: Proposal to revise the current regulations (Staff Management Manual and others).  T: Proposal to review current calls for the promotion of mobility and, subsequently, to modify future own calls to extend the participation of both applicants and CSIC teams.  I: Number of stays abroad by staff (R1 to R4).

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				Planning (VAPC)	
A40. Creation of a guide or web section on the external mobility of research staff. A step-by-step manual for outgoing mobility will be made available to outgoing employees.	29. Value of mobility.	18. Recognition of mobility experience (Code). 25. Stability and permanence of employment. 26. Funding and salaries. 29. Value of mobility. 30. Access to career advice.	Second semester 2021 - First semester 2022	Vice-presidency for International Affairs (VRI), General Secretariat (SEGE), Vice- presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT)	T: Create a guide or a website section as a result of a compilation or/and taking as a reference the "Guidelines for the management of the mobility of the foreign researcher in Spain of EURAXESS/FECYT, current CSIC's Staff Management Manual with instructions on stays / mobility (Social Security, contracts, etc and main opportunities for local, regional, national, European and international mobility grants. This guide will be accessible in Spanish and English, available to be downloaded from the CSIC's webpage and will be publicly among the research centres (seminar or webinar). It will be provided to the newcomers together with the welcome manual.  T: All the information concerning will be updated periodically and included in a dedicated website. Spanish and English versions of the website will be available,  I: Website updated. I: Number of downloads / Number of consultations made.
A41. Dissemination/training info days on the possibilities of European and international		17. Variations in the chronological order of CVs (Code).		Vice-presidency of International Affairs (VRI) –	T: Seminaries, to provide researchers with the access to this information.
programmes. To promote the mobility of research personnel by providing information and	29. Value of mobility.	18. Recognition of mobility experience (Code). 25. Stability and	Second semester 2021	General Secretariat (SEGE) Deputy	I: Number of actions carried out in this regard.
training in different national and international possibilities.		permanence of employment.		Secretary General for Human	I: Number of participants. I: Feedback participants.

		26. Funding and salaries. 29. Value of mobility.		Resources (SGARH) – Vice-	
		23. Value of Modificy.		presidency for	
				Scientific and	
				Technical Research (VICYT)	
				Department for	
				Postgraduate and	
				Specialisation	
				(DPE)	
A42. Design and study the implementation of a common tool for the management of stay permits and mobility monitoring. Knowledge, analysis and management of mobility by CSIC research staff (R1, R2 and R3).	29. Value of mobility.	17. Variations in the chronological order of CVs (Code). 18. Recognition of mobility experience (Code). 29. Value of mobility.	First semester 2022	Vice-presidency of International Affairs (VRI) – General Secretariat (SEGE) Assistant Secretary General for Information Technology (SGAI) – Deputy Secretary General for Human Resources (SGARH)	T: A registration and reporting tool for in and outgoing mobility will be design and develop.  I: Creation of the tool. I: Number of international stays of CSIC personnel and foreign personnel in the CSIC. I: Number of stays abroad of de R1 – R4.
Increase recognition and facilitate of	teaching			,	
A43. New teaching management application. Identification, management and analysis of the teaching given by the Rs.	33. Teaching.	19. Recognition of qualifications (Code). 20. Seniority (Code). 33. Teaching.	First semester 2022	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) Department for Postgraduate and Specialisation (DPE) – General Secretariat (SEGE) Assistant Secretary General	T: Creation of a new application for the management of teaching requests. T: Digitize or computerize the procedure to request teaching. Likewise, the information provided should be synchronized with other corporate databases, such as conCIENCIA.  I: Creation of the application. I: Number of researchers informed. I: Number of users.

A44. Search for new formulas for the recognition of teaching: Search and analysis of possibilities for the recognition of teaching.	33. Teaching.	19. Recognition of qualifications (Code). 20. Seniority (Code). 25. Stability and permanence of employment. 33. Teaching.	First semester 2021	for Information Technology (SGAI)  Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) Department for Postgraduate and Specialisation (DPE)	T: Study of the recognition of Final Degree Project (TFG), Final Master's Degree Project (TFM) Unofficial Master's Degrees, as teaching I: New formulas found.
A45. Creation of the "Mediator" figure. Mediator, who deals with the complaints/appeals of researchers, including those concerning conflicts between supervisor(s) and researchers.	34. Complaints/ appeals.	34. Complaints/ appeals.	Second semester 2021	President's Office	T: Give confidential and informal assistance in resolving work-related conflicts, disputes and grievances, with the aim of promoting fair and equitable treatment within the institution and improving the overall quality of the working environment.  I: Resolution to create the figure of the Mediator. I: Number of complaints or queries received.
Enhance participation in decision-mal	king bodies				
A46. Support and collaboration with the R1, R2 and R3 research association: CSIC will promote networking, sharing expertise, and the identification of common issues. Also, strengthen the CSIC-Association relationship and mutual interests.	35. Participation in decision- making bodies.	35. Participation in decision-making bodies.	First semester 2021	President's Office  – Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) Department for Postgraduate and Specialisation (DPE) - Deputy Vice-Presidency for Scientific	T: Give voice to this collective.  T: As the advisory scientific committee is an advisory body, it could be considered to support the consultation, in certain relevant matters, to the R1, R2 and R3 association.  I: Number of consultations made. I: Nº of researchers enrolled.

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A47. At the ICU level, promote the presence of all research staff in the scientific boards: Raising awareness of participation.	35. Participation in decision-making bodies.	22. Recognition of the profession. 35. Participation in decision-making bodies.	First semester 2021	Vice-Presidency for Institutional Affairs and Organisation (VORI) - Vice- presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT)	T: Inclusion in the Welcome Manual that every researcher can be invited to participate.  T: Remind directors of the possibility in current regulations of allowing all staff to attend scientific meetings. Encourage the incorporation of this information into the calls of the scientific board.  T: To raise awareness among young researchers of the possibility that they can be invited to the cloisters, if the director of the ICU so decides.  I: Communications made to the management positions.  I: Number of researchers by R attending scientific meetings (as measured by the FWG).
<b>A48.</b> Maintain the meeting of researchers related to the new strategic plans.	35. Participation in decision-making bodies.	<ul><li>22. Recognition of the profession.</li><li>35. Participation in decision-making bodies.</li></ul>	Second semester 2022	President's Office  Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT)  Deputy Vice- Presidency for Scientific Planning (VAPC)	T: Improve the research environment, especially for R2 and R3. T: Open the meeting to R2 and R3. I: Hold the meeting. I: Number of R1, R2 and R3 attendants. I: Presentations by R2 and R3. I: Discussions or round tables on the role of R2 and R3.

Training and Development								
Design, advice and institutional support for professional development								
A49. Information.  Implementation of a guide or a section of the CSIC's website dedicated to provide information to researchers on the mechanisms for career development and career path support offered by the CSIC.	28. Career development.	17. Variations in the chronological order of CVs (Code). 18. Recognition of mobility experience (Code). 24. Working conditions. 25. Stability and permanence of employment. 28. Career development. 29. Value of mobility. 30. Access to career advice. 38. Continuing Professional Development. 39. Access to research training and continuous development.	First semester 2021 - Second semester 2022	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) - General Secretariat (SEGE)	T: Include general information on the map of the scientific career in Spain, grants, support units as well as the CSIC's own actions: advisory services, training for different stages, types of recruitment calls, etc.  This guide or web section will be accessible in Spanish and English, available to be downloaded from the CSIC's webpage and will be publicly among the research centres (seminar or webinar). It will be provided to the newcomers together with the welcome manual.  T: Provide:  • Support to researchers on their professional career.  • A realistic idea of the career opportunities in/out academia.  • Support and guidance for the personal and professional development of researchers  • Advice and possibilities of international or industry opportunities in professional development.  T: Strengthen/communicate/coordinate the training activities related to professional career.  I: Number of online visits.  I: Number of visits / number of			

					downloads.
A50. Training. Design training activities for professional development.  A51. Team management and	28. Career development.	17. Variations in the chronological order of CVs (Code). 18. Recognition of mobility experience (Code). 25. Stability and permanence of employment. 28. Career development. 30. Access to career advice. 36. Relation with supervisors. 38. Continuing Professional Development. 39. Access to research training and continuous development.	First semester 2021 - Second semester 2022	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) - General Secretariat (SEGE)	T: An ideal set of internal and external trainers with academic and non-academic background, on the following topics:  1. Transferable skills: (e.g. Writing and Oral skills, Leadership and management skills, Entrepreneurial skills and Technology Transfer, Motivation Skills for Research Staff, Team Building, Presentation Skills for Research Staff, CV Clinic, Grant Writing, Research Integrity, Supervising and Working with PhD Students, funding your Research, Communicating your research, Research Planning Tools and Techniques, Innovation & Entrepreneurship, Commercial Awareness and Knowledge Transfer)  2. Scientific tools and techniques (e.g. Statistical Analysis, Image creation and photographic edition, etc.  3. Health & Safety (e.g. Courses focused on job requirements in the laboratory and offices, safety courses.).  4. Languages (e.g. English, Spanish)  5. Development of a career plan, especially at R1.  I: Nº workshops or courses. I: Number of attendees to courses. I: Participants' feedback (Satisfaction survey).  T: Organize courses devoted to leadership
leadership skills. Provide	28. Career development.	profession.	2022	for Scientific and	and team management over the first half

specialized training sessions on team management and group leadership for researchers.		25. Stability and permanence of employment. 28. Career development. 30. Access to career advice. 37. Supervision and managerial duties. 38. Continuing Professional Development. 39. Access to research training and continuous development.		Technical Research (VICYT) / Deputy Vice- Presidency for Scientific Planning (VAPC)	of the HRS4R project.  T: 1. Coaching tools are put into used to help new academic staff with a supervisory role in guiding colleagues, staff and students so that they perform well;  2. On boarding initiatives are launched to provide necessary information to new academic staff with a supervisory role;  3. A leadership development programme is set out for this target group;  4. Initiatives are taken to help supervisors and their team members find a good work-life balance.  I: Number of courses and people trained.  I: Participants' feedback (Satisfaction survey).
A52. Tracking of careers.  Establish the career destinations of former researchers. Measure the impact of CSIC-provided training/careers support on the careers of those who left CSIC.	28. Career development.	11. Evaluation/appraisal systems. 17. Variations in the chronological order of CVs (Code). 18. Recognition of mobility experience (Code). 24. Working conditions. 25. Stability and permanence of employment. 28. Career development. 29. Value of mobility. 30. Access to career advice. 38. Continuing Professional Development. 39. Access to research training and continuous development.	First semester 2022	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT)- President's Office	T: A survey will be designed and will be piloted tested by CSIC Alumni members.  T: The results of the survey will be reported, including specific recommendations for support/best practice to help shape the ongoing training priorities for CSIC researchers.  T: Use of the CSIC Alumni network to: track postgraduates, mentoring, impact of training / careers supports, etc.  I: To keep information on the first jobs' placements of PhD graduates in the CSIC.  I: Participants' feedback (Satisfaction survey).  I: Nº of responses.  I: Report on tracking its impact of training/careers support.

<b>A53.</b> Specific programme of R1-R2-company interaction. "Job fair" for CSIC's Rs	28. Career development.	22. Recognition of the profession. 25. Stability and permanence of employment. 28. Career development. 29. Value of mobility. 30. Access to career advice.	Second semester 2021	President's Office  Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) Department for Postgraduate and Specialisation (DPE) Deputy Vice-Presidency for Knowledge Transfer (VATC) / Deputy Vice- Presidency for Scientific Planning (VAPC) - Vice-presidency for International Affairs (VRI)	T: Organization of Job Fairs / job boards. T: Highlight the need to support the careers of those seeking to make the transition into industrial R&D, programmes like "Alumni and friends in Industry" and "Recruiters in Industry: CV & Interview skills".  I: Number of events held. I: Participants' feedback (Satisfaction survey). I: Number of meetings/exchanges/stays with companies (2 meetings per year).
Providing advice and counsel					
<b>A54.</b> Launch of a Mentoring programme. Design a pilot programme of mentors for researchers.	30. Access to career advice	25. Stability and permanence of employment. 28. Career development. 30. Access to career advice. 37. Supervision and managerial duties. 38. Continuing Professional Development. 39. Access to research training and continuous development.	First semester 2021 (annual)	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) Department for Postgraduate and Specialisation (DPE)	T: The mentor will help and guide the mentee to develop his/her research career, as well as other aspects in his/her personal and professional life. This network will be made up of CSIC Alumni, senior researchers and professionals outside CSIC, such as executives, businessmen, etc. Key aspects will be the selection and training of a network of mentors aimed to develop the potential of young researchers, by transfer of knowledge and learning through the experiences of seniority and the matching mentee-mentor process.  I: Biennial assessment of satisfaction with

					the Mentor Programme: survey and report of results and recommendations.  I: Number of R attendees.  I: Evaluation results of the Mentoring programme (number of researchers engaged in the mentorship programme).
A55. Launch of a "Buddy" programme. Promote national and international relations and encourage the contact between the R1, R2 and R3 of the CSIC and the new ones who are recently incorporated at our institution.	30. Access to career advice.	28. Career development. 30. Access to career advice. 38. Continuing Professional Development. 39. Access to research training and continuous development.	Second semester 2021	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) Department for Postgraduate and Specialisation (DPE)	T: An effective and easy way to build a network of researchers.  T: Buddies will help them achieve a better understanding of the CSIC/ICUs/city, thus improving their international experience and gaining personal intercultural knowledge.  I: Nº of R1, R2 and R3 participating. I: Set-up of the pilot mentorship programme. I: Results of the evaluation and plan to expand this activity to other researchers. I: Number of R1 and R2 buddied (if the program continues).
A56. Creation of "CSIC Alumni" (former CSIC "students").  Design and creation of an alumni network, people who used to be part of the CSIC.	30. Access to career advice.	28. Career development. 30. Access to career advice. 36. Relation with supervisors. 37. Supervision and managerial duties. 38. Continuing Professional Development. 39. Access to research training and continuous development. 40. Supervision.	First semester 2021	President's Office - Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT)	T: Alumni and friends in Industry – guest alumni and friends shared their experiences of transitioning from academia to Industry.  T: Review the use of LinkedIn and other alternatives to providing an Alumni network for careers counselling purposes.  T: Use of the CSIC Alumni network for: tracking of graduates, mentoring, impact of training/careers support, etc.  I: Number of alumni participating.  I: Number of people participating in the activities developed for this action.  I: Monitoring of number of interactions

Supervision and promote of its recogn	sition				and events related to career advice on the alumni network.  I: Monitoring of available data on interactions between external companies/organisations and alumni network members, as well as on the participation in entrepreneurship meetups.
A57. Creation of a "Margarita Salas Medal" award for best supervision. Promote recognition of supervisory tasks.	37. Supervision and managerial duties.	22. Recognition of the profession. 36. Relation with supervisors. 37. Supervision and managerial duties. 40. Supervision.	Second semester 2021	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) Department for Postgraduate and Specialisation (DPE) - President's Office- General Secretariat (SEGE) Assistant Secretary General for Economic Affairs (SGAAE)	T: Award supervisor/s who have demonstrated exceptional performance in doctoral supervision. I: Resolution of creation of the award. I: Design the contest and the call on a yearly basis I: Prize call disseminated, and prize awarded. I: Number of nominations received.
A58. Training of PhD supervisors.  Design a pilot "Training program for PhD thesis directors" (on line or semi-presential).	37. Supervision and managerial duties.	3.Professional responsibility. 10. Non-discrimination. 18. Recognition of mobility experience (Code). 27. Gender balance. 36. Relation with supervisors. 37. Supervision and managerial duties. 38. Continuing Professional Development. 39. Access to research	Second semester 2021	Vice-presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT) Department for Postgraduate and Specialisation (DPE) - Deputy Vice-Presidency for Scientific Planning (VAPC)	T: PhD supervisors will be invited to take part in a "Training programme for PhD thesis directors" involving different aspects of PhD supervision. After following the training, participants will be better informed about what CSIC expects from its PhD supervisors, the rules and regulations regarding the PhD process, and how to properly supervise PhD candidates in order to improve their professional and personal success and satisfaction.

training and continuous development. 40. Supervision.	T: The aim is that promotors and supervisors feel empowered to play a mediating role in conflicts from the outset (or as early as possible) and to be able to rely on or refer to the support of mediators.
	I: Participants' feedback (Satisfaction survey). I: Number of attendees. I: Follow-up indicators.

The establishment of an Open Recruitment Policy is a key element in the HRS4R strategy. Please also indicate how your organisation will use the Open, Transparent and Merit-Based Recruitment Toolkit and how you intend to implement/are implementing the principles of Open, Transparent and Merit-Based Recruitment. Although there may be some overlap with a range of actions listed above, please provide a short commentary demonstrating this implementation. If the case, please make the link between the OTM-R checklist and the overall action plan.

#### 1000 words maximum

The main action that will be implemented to address the OTM-R principles is the creation and implementation of a specific "OTM-R Working Team", consisting of representatives of all services with competence in selection and recruitment of researchers, with the followings tasks, that will develop a key role in the development of the OTM-R policy:

- vi) Analysis and review the processes of selection and recruitment of researchers for the progressive adaptation to the OTM-R system.
- vii) Collection the whole set of internal rules regarding the advertisement, selection and hiring of the research staff at all levels within CSIC, as well as the procedures and practices associated to them.
- viii) Follow up of the implementation for the progressive adaptation to the OTM-R system
- ix) Awareness, training and dissemination on OTM-R policy for the Management team, administrative staff and principal investigators.
- x) Continuous internal monitoring and follow-up.

The aim is to reduce as much as possible, considering the Spanish law framework, the administrative burden for candidates and researchers hired and ensure outreach to the international visibility of the positions offered (Euraxess y BDEI) while assuring high quality standards (Quality management system for OTM-R).

The goal of the awareness actions of the OTM-R is to attain an increasing involvement of the OTM-R and Charter & Code criteria in the research and no-research community. The "OTM-R Working Team" will support and advice on the English translation of the job offers published in Spanish and on the publication of both versions on job offer platforms.

Develop an OTM-R protocol and a guide for the researchers and to be published on the intranet, which will include the OTM-R and Charter & Code recommendations. This guide may set clear and explicit rules and procedures for the recruitment of all researcher positions. The policy and the protocols will address the whole set of inner regulations concerning the advertising and application phase (OTM-R principles 11-15), selection and evaluation phase (OTM-R principles 20-22).

Since there may be different calls for proposals detailed in the action plan, define the procedures to generate a call to incentivise the incorporation and retention of talent, following OTM-R criteria.

The need to promote specific training in recruiting, especially for selection committees, underlying the importance of total adherence to the CSIC's Ethical Code and to the European Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers will be evaluated.

The impact of all ad hoc actions identified to fill in gaps regarding OTM-R principles will be maximized through the implementation of Dissemination campaign for HRS4R. This action, as described above, consists of a complete communication plan aimed at promoting the existing and improved practices and procedures.

The satisfaction survey about the measures undertaken addressed to the research community and schedule periodical briefings to the institution's management committees and boards to introduce the OTM-R and Charter & Code key lessons to the administration staff will assure that all the staff members involved in recruiting processes, from selection to recruiting, will integrate the OTM-R practices described in the "Recruitment OTM-R guide".

If your organisation already has a recruitment strategy which implements the principles of Open, Transparent and Merit-Based Recruitment, please provide the web link where this strategy can be found on your organisation's website:

URL: Currently CSIC does not have a recruitment strategy in order to implement the principles of Open, Transparent and Merit-Based Recruitment. Therefore, no web link is available.

#### 4. IMPLEMENTATION

General overview of the expected implementation process:

The implementation strategy of the action plan is based on the experience and practices adopted during the HRS4R process of the Gap Analysis and the Action Planning by a Steering Committee on HRS4R (SC) and the Analysis and Design Working Group (ADWG).

This Action Plan 2020-2022 was approved by the Steering Committee on HRS4R (SC) and is already included in the CSIC's 2018-2021 Strategic Plan and researchers will be informed of that.

The design and implementation of this action plan has enabled the development of a model of governance, coordination mechanisms and monitoring tools that will accelerate the adoption of new policies and practices for human resources management in research which, in turn, will enable CSIC to be aligned with its European references.

As HRS4R is a transversal project that affects almost all the functions of the institution. To ensure its implementation it has been decided to:

- Include the HRS4R Action Plan in the deployment of the Strategic Plan of the CSIC 2018-2021 and subsequent strategic plan 2022-2025.
- Involve the CSIC Governing Board, Executive Bodies and Deputy Vice-Presidencies and Deputy Secretary-Generals as Steering Committee on HRS4R (SC):
  - Vice-Presidency for Scientific and Technical Research (VICYT)
  - General Secretariat (SEGE)
  - Vice-Presidency for Organization and Institutional Relations (VORI)
  - Vice-Presidency for International Affairs (VRI)
  - o President's Office
- Create a "Follow-up Working Group (FWG)" from management and researchers' staff assuming the deploy of the HRS4R Action Plan, control quality and follow-up of indicators.
- Designate a HRS4R technician who will track the implementation of the action plan in the units in charge of each action.

Due to the commitment of the CSIC with the Charter & Code and regardless of the duration of the evaluation process to obtain the seal, the implementation of the plan will begin in the Q3 2020.

The implementation process will be performed through three different levels of responsibility:

- 1. Steering Committee on HRS4R (SC) will continue being the highest responsible group for coordinating the implementation and the follow-up of the HRS4R-derived measures. It will be composed of the five Executive bodies and Deputy Vice-Presidencies and the Deputy Secretary-Generals, responsible for coordinating the implementation and the follow-up of the HRS4R-derived measures. It will also communicate the advances to the CSIC's Governing Board.
- 2. The "Follow-up Working Group (FWG)" will be the HRS4R technician, 6-8 members of the FWG will be appointed, plus other research and administrative staff members that will be invited to participate. The FWG will deploy the HRS4R Action Plan and the HRS4R technician will also

control the quality and follow-up of indicators. She/he will also communicate the advances to CSIC's Steering Committee. Awareness of HRS4R in the research community and HHRR services. Incorporation of new researchers that wish to join the Follow-up Working Group (FWG) for specific working teams and to become "Delegates for HRS4R", with the collaboration of the institutional delegates. Depending of the FWG, the different working groups of different actions, "OTM-R Working Team", "Welcome Manual Working Team" "Research Assessment Working Group" "analysis on Charter & Code training needs Working Group" that will be composed of Human Resources staff members responsible, researchers and other administrative staff members.

3. The HRS4R technician supported by the people designated in each unit involved in this process, will support the FWG in the preparation of deliverables, quality control and monitoring of indicators. He/she will also be responsible for a dynamic workflow articulated throughout the plan: a cloud-based tool with easy access to information, regular meetings, ad-hoc subcommittees with key people for specific matters depending on the evolution of the process, quality control and international benchmark.

Each implemented principle is outlined with the current situation at the CSIC and one or more improving actions are provided together with the corresponding indicator for evaluation, the department/s or units responsible/s for the action development and the expected completion date within the period 2020-2025.

Next step, as the last point before being submitted to the European Commission, the HR Strategy and action plan at CSIC will be published on the institutional website. The main objective is to illustrate how the CSIC will adopt the Strategy and, after the official acknowledgment by the EC, the corresponding information will be displayed in a visible place on the institutional web page.

The FWG will be responsible for the implementation of the Action Plan with a delegation to responsible members for specific action items. On its role of monitoring committee, it will internally monitor the development and compliance of the Action Plan.

The self-assessment will be conducted every two years and will result on a progress report, updating the Action Plan for the subsequent period. Timeline of the actions was thoroughly discussed with the responsible persons, who have confirmed their project routine and provided more information about milestones and indicators of success. Actions have been planned with all precautions; work plan provides milestones, controlling measures and risk management procedures.

This process enables organizations to truly integrate the principles into their own human resources policy, thereby promoting the organization as a stimulating and favourable work place.

The action plan should be seen as an evolving instrument. If when further areas for improvement are identified, they should be incorporated into the action plan with an appropriate time-scale for implementation. As internal communication has been identified as in need of improvement, it would be especially important to ensure that CSIC's personnel are informed and aware of what is taking place and can provide feedback.

Few of these actions are very complex to be fully developed, but they will represent a highly significant step to strengthen the CSIC's recruitment practices and employment conditions, so that the whole process will be highly beneficial for both researchers who work and wish to work at CSIC and for our institution itself. The main improvements expected from the implementation process are to increase our attractiveness to researchers and to provide them with a favourable working environment, high quality research and innovation, and valorisation of international mobility.

Make sure you also cover all the aspects highlighted in the checklist below, which you will need to describe in detail:

Checklist	*Detailed description and duly justification
How will the implementation committee and/or steering group regularly oversee progress? free text 500 words maximum	The "Follow-up Working Group (FWG)" appointed by the Steering Committee on HRS4R (SC) will be instituted to supervise the implementation of the actions.
	Once the FWG and the HRS4R technician are appointed and members chosen, a kick off meeting will be to establish responsibilities and deadlines for all different actions on the basis of their priority.
	This group will meet in an ordinary manner at least once every 3 months in order to follow up the progress on the HRS4R Action Plan implementation and in an extraordinary way all those that are required. Progress on the HRS4R Action Plan will be established as a permanent agenda point for review at each meeting. Furthermore, each action responsible will regularly check the status of the indicators and send updates to said Committee.
	The results of the different online surveys will be a useful and powerful tool to verify the implementation and satisfaction and to follow the process. The "Follow-up Working Group (FWG)" will be in charge of the Internal Review after 24 months, where a report on the progress of implementing the actions will be compiled. The report will be the basis of the Revised Action Plan.
	The FWG will report and hold bi-annual meetings with the Steering Committee on HRS4R (SC) to inform about the implementation process. The Steering Committee on HRS4R (SC) will be in charge of supervising the whole process and at the end of each year, review the status of the implementation of the Action Plan and take decisions, if needed.

How do you intend to involve the research community, your main stakeholders, in the implementation process? free text 500 words maximum

The CSIC has targeted the participation of all research personnel (R1-R4) in the development of the Human Resources Strategy. They will be involved in certain parts of the implementation.

All research personnel (R1-R4) will be represented as members of the "Follow-up Working Group (FWG)". In a first instance, researchers that have participated in the discussions in the Gap Analysis and Action Plan will be invited to join the FWG, although it will be opened for the whole research community. Some could be appointed as "Delegates for HRS4R".

Specific working groups for the implementation of most relevant actions will also be created i.e. The "OTM-R Working Team" and the Working Group on Analysis and the prospective in the Research Assessment in the CSIC.

It has been proposed to collect the opinion of the CSIC research staff through the different surveys designed, to evaluate the degree of implementation and satisfaction in relation to actions within the HRS4R.

In addition to the use of surveys, other dissemination actions are proposed, such as the "Diffusion HRS4R campaign" to announce the actions contemplated in the CSIC Action Plan for the full implementation of the Charter & Code, HRS4R, OTM-R.

Also, the research community will be involved in the implementation process through the Steering Committee on HRS4R (SC) where they are represented. They could also be invited to the reviews of the implementation group. The persons in charge of the actions could also ask for them in advance, during and after the actions concerning them.

Finally, the Scientific Committee of CSIC, which is formed by external stakeholders (internationally renowned researchers and eminences reflecting both an academic perspective and a more business-oriented perspective), will be consulted about the implementation plan and their feedback will be taken in account to redirect or improve the implementation process if needed.

How do you proceed with the alignment of organisational policies with the HRS4R? Make sure the HRS4R

The HRS4R is integrated into the CSIC Strategic Plan 2018-2021 and will be into 2022-25. Specific references to it are included in the different CSIC's annual action plans. Any other strategic decisions will be taken bearing in mind the CSIC's commitment to HRS4R and the Action Plan that we have developed by us.

is recognized in the organisation's		
research strategy, as the overarching		
HR policy.		

HRS4R will be the cornerstone of the CSIC HR Strategy and all HR initiatives will be designed to ensure that HRS4R will remains as the main driver of our HR task force. They are also implemented into the different units that are directly concerned by implementation of the CSIC's Strategy.

The FWG will also be responsible for verifying that CSIC norms regarding different areas are coherent with the HRS4R as well as the actions developed within these Action Plans.

As part of the General State Administration, the CSIC applies procedures that guarantee the principles of equality, merit and capacity in its recruitment processes. Therefore, we are already aligned with the spirit of the HRS4, since its principles complement and enhance the national legislation. Acknowledging HRS4R as our main policy for human resources will place us at an advantaged position of compliance with the national legal requirements for public entities.

The President's Office, VICYT, SEGE, VRI and VORI of CSIC are part of the Steering Committee on HRS4R (SC) and therefore the alignment of the organizational policies with the HRS4R will be complete. In the same way, the HRS4R Steering Committee will follow up on the progress of HRS4R and ensure that the entire research strategy is aligned with it.

According to what is established in the calendar of activities, the actions and procedures that are being developed will be presented annually to the Scientific Advisory Committee of the CSIC.

# How will you ensure that the proposed actions are implemented?

The FWG is composed of the main responsible for each of the actions involved, so each named action responsible will have a broad competences and skills for the implementation and will report to the FWG their status.

The FWG will ensure the appropriate progress of the Action Plan and provide support for solutions and alternatives if unexpected obstacles are encountered. FWG will systematically follow-up on the action to be taken. The FWG will monitor the established policies, attendance at the planned informative sessions and one-to-one feedback with all stakeholders in the process. Once we have received the feedback, we will be in a stronger position to take corrective measures and adjust our approach and actions accordingly.

	The FWG should also ensure that sufficient resources are available to enable the implementation and that
	there is regular communication on progress in the completion and implementation of the Action Plan. The
	FWG will also play an important role in disseminating information and progress to other staff members.
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	If any deviation of the timeline is shown, the FWG will inform to the Steering Committee on HRS4R (SC) that
	will take the necessary decisions to control the deviations.
	A prioritization and a detailed calendar have been established in the Action Plan that will allow monitoring
	of the degree of implementation of all activities by the working group.
	CSIC is aware and wants to be aligned and learn from the European best practices, so the FWG and the
	HRS4R technician will attend possible info days (both HRS4R and Euraxess).
How will you monitor progress	As mentioned above, each responsible of the action will send updates to the FWG about the situation. Those
(timeline)?	responsible ones for each action will measure the established indicators.
	The FWG will monitor the progress of the Action Plan. It will organize meetings on an ordinary manner at
	least once every 3 months in order to follow up, monitoring the continuous progress in the Action Plan
	implementation and also to provide feedback on the measures that have been done.
	The Action Plan developed shows a series of indicators and a detailed calendar with all the proposed
	actions. The FWG will hold the meetings that are necessary to meet the objectives established in the
	proposed calendar.
	The FWG also will centralize the suggestions and non-conformities of those responsible for the different
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	areas that make up the work group and will be responsible for identifying deviations in the planning and will
	propose specific actions for improvement.
	The FWG will report and hold bi-monthly meetings with the Steering Committee on HRS4R (SC) to inform
	about the implementation process. Thus, it will be possible to ensure a good progress pace and a dynamic
	articulation of solutions to deal with contingencies.
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	The indicators defined in the Action Plan will be formalised more precisely and transmitted to the relevant Services/Departments, which will implement them to allow for monitoring, regular updates and provision of data when requested.
How will you measure progress	The Action Plan already defines some indicators related to the implementation process, but the FWG will
(indicators) in view of the next	identify, at the beginning and during of activities, the most suitable indicators, milestones and deliverables
assessment?	for monitoring the progress so that it can be assessed quantitatively and/or qualitatively, aiming at our self-
	evaluation at the end of the second year.
	A new survey will be elaborated 15 months after the activity was initiated. It will be sent to all the CSIC employees, in order to review the implementation status of the Strategy and/or to re-evaluate satisfaction with HR policies. The results of that survey, on the degree of development of the Human Resources Strategy, will be analysed and considered for further actions.
	After 24 months, the "Follow-up Working Group (FWG)" will be in charge of the Internal Review, when a report on the progress of implementing the actions will be compiled. The report will be the basis of the
	Revised Action Plan. The evaluation templates available on EURAXESS will be used for these reports. These reports will be approved by the Steering Committee on HRS4R.

#### Additional remarks/comments about the proposed implementation process:

As an additional comment, CSIC has a Scientific Advisory Board, that is entrusted with informing and advising the CSIC Presidency and the Governing Board about scientific-technological issues. Specifically, it should prescriptively inform the management contract, the Multi-Annual Action Plans and the creation, modification or ending of CSIC institutes and research units.

It is a permanent body and is chaired by the Presidency. The vice-presidencies and a number of renewed scientists and technologists from the public and private sector, representing different scientific areas sit on the board. The following are the committee members:

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