Confidential Reference Form for

***PhD Programme in Agrifood and Environmental Sciences***

***University of Trento, Italy***

**NAME OF THE APPLICANT**

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Introduction:

Applicants to the PhD Programme in Agrifood and Environmental Sciences may request academic references. These requests are submitted directly to the referees once the applicant has filled in the referee section of the online application and provided an institutional email address of the referee.

**To referee**: The information in this report will be considered confidential and will not be disclosed to the applicant or anyone outside of the PhD Programme. We are particularly interested in the applicant's ability to carry on an advanced study and research, potential for successful study in the applicant's field, if any. Please return the form by **the date indicated in the email.** Thank you for your assistance.

1. ***The Referee:*** brief description of the referee academic and research profile, and of his experience in supervision of PhD students
2. ***General Appraisal***. Please comment on the applicant’s academic fitness and general suitability to undertake the proposed course of research or study. Also include any other information that you consider to be relevant to the application such as the candidate’s main strengths and weaknesses etc.

(Extend as needed)

1. ***Knowledge of Applicant***. In what capacity and for how long have you known the applicant? (for example,as professor, supervisor etc.)
2. ***Rank of Applicant.*** Please rank the applicant's general aptitude for PhD studies and researchrelative to other students at the same level and in the same field you have known over the last few years. State as appropriate: among the top 5%, 10%, 25%, 50% or among the lower 50%
3. ***Specific Abilities***:

**I rate the following abilities, with respect to the other starting PhD students**

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|  | Outstanding | Very good | Average | Below  average | Unable to observe |
| Academic achievement |  |  |  |  |  |
| Research ability |  |  |  |  |  |
| Communication skills |  |  |  |  |  |
| Collaboration skills |  |  |  |  |  |
| Diligence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Judgement |  |  |  |  |  |
| Overall rating |  |  |  |  |  |

1. Name of referee:

Academic rank:

Department:

Institution:

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Date:

Signature of referee: