

Explanation of assessment criteria for Supplementary applications

The applications are assessed using the following rating system for each criterion:

Logistical integration with other applications

Supplementary applications are to fill unused capacity in existing voyages. If what is proposed cannot be accommodated in the proposed voyage schedule then it is not logistically viable. Issues to consider include – impact on primary voyage, extra time required, scientific equipment required and the number of extra personnel.

- 3 No problems with the proposed project being included in the voyage.
- 2 Can be included in the voyage but will require minor changes to the voyage plan.
- 1 Can be included in the voyage but would require significant changes to the voyage plan.
- 0 Proposal is not logistically feasible or would create unacceptable risk for the primary voyage.

The scientific and/or technical and/or educational excellence of the project

- 3 Highly innovative research, development or educational outcomes of very high quality likely to produce scientific results of international significance **or** leads to the development of new and important methods and techniques for studying the marine environment **or** provides a very high quality educational outcome for future marine scientists or others working in the marine community.
- 2 Good quality research, development or educational outcomes likely to produce significant results of interest to the scientific community **or** lead to the development of useful methods and techniques for studying the marine environment **or** provides a good quality educational outcome for future marine scientists or others working in the marine community.
- 1 Satisfactory quality research, development or educational outcomes likely to produce results of minor interest/value that may be a repetition of the results of previous work **or** lead to the development of satisfactory methods and techniques for studying the marine environment **or** provide a satisfactory educational outcome for future marine scientists or others working in the marine community.
- 0 Poor quality research, technical or educational proposal unlikely to produce a useful outcome. This could be influenced by poor objectives, methodology or planning.

The potential of the project to contribute to Australia's national benefit

- 3 Outstanding proposal which has the potential to have a large impact.
- 2 Good proposal with moderate potential impact.
- 1 Routine proposal with some potential impact.
- 0 Poor proposal with little or no potential impact.

The ability of the Lead Principal Investigator (demonstrated or potential, relative to opportunity) to successfully undertake the project

- 3 Highly experienced Lead Principal Investigator with an excellent record of achievement or a new investigator showing outstanding promise.
- 2 Experienced Lead Principal Investigator with a good record of achievement or a new investigator showing future potential.
- 1 Lead Principal Investigator with a satisfactory record of achievement or a new investigator that is capable of carrying out the work.
- 0 Lead Principal Investigator with a low probability of delivering the required results based on their past experience and/or record of achievements.