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Referee Template

**Te Puiaki Pūtaiao Matua a Te Pirimia The Science Prize**

Please answer the following questions and keep to within three pages in total. Start writing on page 3.

Name:

Organisation:

Country:

How long have you known the individual or known of the work of the team, and in what capacity?

Briefly outline why you are in a position to comment on the work of the individual or the team.

Please also mention any thing else you would like to comment on.

**About this Prize**

This Prize is for a **transformative** scientific1advance, which has had a significant economic, health, social, political, cultural and/or environmental **impact** on New Zealand, or internationally.

It will be awarded to a team or an individual instrumental in creating the impact. The **transformative** scientific1advance may have occurred over any time-period and there must be a clear indication that the **impact** on New Zealand or internationally has taken place.

1 Scientific should be interpreted broadly to include natural, physical, mathematical and information sciences, applied science, technology, engineering, social science and multi-disciplinary science

**This can be evidenced in a variety of ways but is not limited to:**

* *Successful development and deployment of new or improved products, processes, or services (including public services) based on the research.*
* *Advancement of Mātauranga Māori.*
* *Major changes to practice in an important professional community or an industrial, business, infrastructural or service sector, at least at a national level.*
* *Major changes in relevant public policy and/or government investment or operational strategy, for example in health, social policy, environmental protection, conservation, education, justice or emergency management.*
* *Significantly increased investment in the research programme over an extended period of time by potential or actual technology transfer partners or end users.*
* *Significant changes in the way a body of knowledge is organised and used (as a result of challenging previous conventional wisdom).*
* *Development of new methods that have advanced research practice in the relevant discipline.*
* *A high level of recognition through peer review processes, for example through publication in leading journals and the award or prizes.*

Outline theextent to which a transformative scientifc1advance has led to significant economic, health, social, political, cultural and/or environmental impact on or for New Zealand, or internationally?

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