

**Irish Research Council Laureate Awards Programme 2021/22:
Humanities Interview Structure**

Successful applicants (those given an 'A' rating) at stage 2 will be invited to Stage 3, the final stage in the assessment process. Stage 3 consists of a virtual interview to present your project to the panel and answer questions.

You should expect questions related to all aspects of your proposal, including the budget and questions on how the Laureate award would support future application to ERC funding calls. Panels will consider the results of interviews alongside all feedback from the first and second stages of the evaluation.

Below is the structure for the **Social Sciences** Panel. Documents for other panels are available at: <https://research.ie/funding/ircla/>

- The stage 3 Social Sciences panel meetings will be held on the **5th, 6th and 7th of April 2022**.
- Interviews will be a maximum of 25 minutes long and will consist of a presentation and a discussion.
- To begin, you will give a presentation. This will be limited to **5 minutes**, with **no limit on the number of slides**. If the presentation goes over time the panel chair or his/her nominee will cut the presentation short.
- Slides **must be saved in .pdf format AND must be submitted in advance to the IRC** Laureate inbox (laureate@research.ie) by the end of the day on the 3 April 2022.
- After you give your presentation, there will be 20 minutes of interview questions from the panel, chaired by the Panel Chair.

Applicants progressing to Stage 3 will be sent a meeting link with a time slot shortly after the outcome of Stage 2 is announced. Please alert the IRC of any potential clashes **now**, time preferences will be assigned on a "first come, first served" basis. The meeting will take place over *Zoom*. Please ensure that you have the latest version of *Zoom* **in advance of the meeting**. The interview is an essential part of the evaluation process and must be completed by all applicants.