ANNEX II

Application for Approval of an Alternative Residency Programme (ARP)

(To be downloaded also on the website of the ECBHM - [www.ecbhm.org](http://www.ecbhm.org) )

**Name of the Resident:**

Private address:

Date of entry into the residency programme[[1]](#footnote-1):

Expected date of planned completion of the residency[[2]](#footnote-2):

Expected year of Certifying Examination12:

Proposed training site: Bovine practice

Cattle health service

Other  please describe: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Description of the training site[[3]](#footnote-3):

Primary Supervisor[[4]](#footnote-4):

Local mentor[[5]](#footnote-5):

Additional Supervisor(s)14:

Other Institution(s)[[6]](#footnote-6):

Short description of the alternative residency programme[[7]](#footnote-7):

Short description *(3 pages maximum)* of planned research project(s)[[8]](#footnote-8):

By signing this application form, Applicant and Supervisors declare that the proposed ARP will be carried out in accordance with the requirements given in the Information and Training Brochure of the ECBHM.

Site and date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Primary Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_S

Local mentor: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Attachments to this application form:

a) Covering letter signed by the applicant.

b) Curriculum vitae of the applicant using the Europass CV template given at <http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu> .

c) A copy of the Veterinary Diploma; in case the Diploma was obtained from a non-European institution, the document must be accompanied by a proof of license to practice veterinary medicine in a European Country, unless relieved of this obligation by the Board as described under Chapter 3, 3.1.

d) Certificate of completion of a 12 months internship issued from the institution where the training was completed and signed by the Supervisor of the Internship. Or, proof of equivalent training, i.e. minimum 2 years of practice.

e) Confirmation by the Primary Supervisor of the Residency that she / he considers the prior previously completed training has fulfilled the requirements for an internship set out above.18

f) Mutual agreement between Resident employer and local mentor defining the task of the Resident and assuring the Resident of adequate amounts of time for the ARP.[[9]](#footnote-9)

g) General Data Protection Regulation form (Annex XII)

Research Project – Guidelines for completion of the Application for an Alternative Residency Programme

The ability to assess the evidence base for recommendations in bovine health management is a critical outcome of training in the residency programme. Consequently, it is important that Residents engage actively in research to develop their understanding of the scientific approach to investigation and to develop their own research skills. The purpose of the field in the Application for a residency programme “Short description *(3 pages maximum)* of planned research project(s)” is to ascertain that there is a feasible research project that can be undertaken during the residency programme.

It is suggested that the Applicant addresses this field using the following headings.

1. **Title of research project.** This should give an indication of the scope and objectives of the project.
2. **Background to research project**. This should be a short statement that provides justification for the study.
3. **Hypothesis and or objectives**. This should state concisely what is being tested in the proposed study. It might be in the form of a hypothesis or one or more objectives, in the case of a project that is intended to develop methodologies.
4. **Methods or approach**. This should concisely state how the objectives will be addressed. There is no need for information on the number of samples or the specific details of assays to be used unless this is the primary focus of the research project (for example a comparison of methods).
5. **Resources required**. This section should state what resources are required and whether they are currently available. If they are not available, the strategy for obtaining them should be stated.
6. **Role of the Resident**. This section should concisely spell out the role and the contribution of the Resident towards the project. This section should allow the E&RC to assess if the involvement of the Resident is reasonably likely to result in at least one peer reviewed publication with the Resident as first or senior author.
7. **Supervision or collaboration**. List the Supervisors or Collaborators who have agreed to assist with this project.

1. This application must be submitted and accepted by the Education and Residency Committee within three months from the beginning of residency training. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. The alternative residency programme can be taken consecutively or on a part time basis as long as the total time spent on training equals or exceeds 3 years (full-time equivalent) and the total period does not exceed 6 years. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. e.g. number of veterinarians on-site, field of expertise, cases per year, number of farms under supervision, number of students/Residents under supervision, fields of activity with respect to the list of aspects given in the ECBHM Information and Training Brochure, fields that are not covered by the activities of the training sites. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. The primary as well as the additional Supervisors has/have to be practicing Diplomate(s) of the ECBHM. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. A local mentor, who can be Diplomate of the ECBHM or not, must be assigned by the proposed training site for on-site supervision of the Resident in the ARP. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. A series of predetermined specialist training modules may be provided by external institutions. Externships are highly recommended. At least 12 weeks of externship must be completed in an institution approved for SRP in the course of the ARP, ideally in more than one approved institution. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
7. The applicant will be responsible for designing the ARP such that it complies with the specifications provided in the ECBHM Training Brochure and for demonstrating that the proposed ARP provides the same level of clinical training and opportunities for scholarly activity as a SRP. [↑](#footnote-ref-7)
8. Residents must complete, over a period of at least 12 months, an investigative project that contributes to the advancement of bovine health management. Guidelines for completion of the Application for an alternative residency programme regarding research projects are provided at the end of this document – please follow the guideline hereunder. [↑](#footnote-ref-8)
9. A document of mutual agreement between the Resident, his/her employer and the local mentor signed by the Resident, her/his employer and the local mentor must be provided, defining the tasks of the Resident and assuring the Resident of adequate resources and amounts of time for study, training and to sit the examination. [↑](#footnote-ref-9)