**Form 3C: Research Plan Format for Waseda University**

**Proposed Research Plan**

Please read the application guidelines carefully to ensure that your statements include all the information evaluators need to assess your application. The following template will guide you. Please delete the *grey* text and fill out your statements.

Name of the preferred supervisor:

1. Title (Maximum 30 words)

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| *Be as explicit, concise and clear as possible.* |

1. Research background/Literature review (Maximum 175 words)

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| *State the situation and identify the problems of your country that you wish to investigate from the national and global perspective, using the general information and/or statistics.*  *Define the field of your study area; your research scope; and the target(s) for investigation.*  *Describe literature review results relevant to your research.* |

1. Relevance and justification (Maximum 350 words)

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| *For instance, you are expected to explain some of the followings in this part.*  *State the relation of your research area with the national and sectorial development plan.*  *State the hypotheses or conjectures of the research outcome.*  *State how your research outcome will contribute to the solution of the development issues stated in JDS Sub-Programme/Component.*  *Define your research questions as clearly as possible. Add a diagram or a table highlighting your idea, if applicable.*  *State if there are any arguments in the field, and how will your proposal differ from existing lines of argument.*  *Describe in what aspects of your research will be new and unique, as not just repetitions of past research.*  *State what will be the impact of your research outcome.* |

1. Research methods (Maximum 175 words)

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| *Describe the method how you would support your argument:*  *Qualitative methods: describe who will be possible respondents, how to collect primary data, how to analyse collected data, etc. and/or*  *Quantitative methods: describe what data set will be used, where/how you get the data set, how to analyse, etc.* |

e) Bibliography

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| *List the books and articles to which you refer in the proposal.* |