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Appendix E2.15

Fellowship

Supporting Statement Template

Your Name	Renuga Jayakumar
Applicant Name	Suresh Shanmugasundaram
Your Institution/organisation/other	University of Wales Trinity St. David, Lonodn
Your current role	Senior Lecturer, Programme Manager for Cloud and Applied Computing
Email address	r.jayakumar@uwtsd.ac.uk
Your Fellowship Status (if appropriate)	Senior Fellow
Relationship to Applicant	Academic colleague
How long have you worked with the Applicant (insert dates)	6 months
Declaration	In submitting your Supporting Statement, you are confirming that the applicant's submission relates to their higher education professional practice and that your statement is your own work and has been written specifically for this applicant. If the professional integrity of the Supporting Statement is in question it will not be accepted. I confirm that I have read and agree with the declaration above. *Renuga Jayakumar* **Date: 25th November 2024**

Supporting Statement

Please provide your statement to verify and endorse the applicant's submission for Fellowship in the following section. You are required to comment on the applicant's recent higher education practice (usually within the last 3 years), providing examples to support your statement wherever possible.

In completing this Supporting Statement you are confirming that you have read the AdvanceHE Guidance for referees writing a Supporting Statement. In association with the Descriptor 2 criteria, as a guide, you should comment on the following in your supporting statement:

- your own personal experience of the applicant's recent and effective HE practice;
- if you have been involved in peer observation of the applicant's teaching and/or support of learning, please draw on relevant examples from this;
- any inclusive practice and/or contribution to developments by the applicant in teaching and/or supporting learning within their context as appropriate;
- your perspective on the practical examples provided within the application to illustrate the Fellowship requirements.

Two sides of A4 will normally be sufficient for this category of Fellowship.

I have known **Mr. Suresh Shanmugasundaram** since June 2024 in his role as a Lecturer for the computing modules at the University of Wales Trinity Saint David's (UWTSD) London campus, where I serve as the Programme Manager for the BSc Cloud and Applied Computing.

Mr. Suresh Shanmugasundaram has made a significant contribution to the programme by leading various modules as a Module Leader. In this capacity, he has been responsible for designing, delivering, marking,supervising and supporting students effectively. He has worked closely with different services within the University to enhance learning and teaching practices, demonstrating a strong commitment to fostering a supportive and innovative learning environment.

A key highlight of Mr. Suresh's work has been his development of creative and interactive learning activities that actively engage students. These initiatives are designed to support diverse learning styles and ensure students are motivated to succeed. By revising and enriching the module content, he has enhanced student engagement and deepened their understanding of core concepts.

Mr. Suresh has also been an active and valuable participant in institutional activities such as module leader meetings, team meetings, and student-staff committee meetings. He regularly provides thoughtful suggestions aimed at improving teaching and learning across the campus. Additionally, he has collaborated with various campus services to manage administrative tasks efficiently, demonstrating a high level of professionalism.

In addressing student concerns, Mr. Suresh has shown an ability to proactively identify areas for improvement, offering timely solutions that enhance the overall student experience. He has worked closely with colleagues to ensure assessments and learning materials adhere to IICL quality standards.

Mr. Suresh's collaboration extends beyond the London campus. He has worked with colleagues at the Birmingham and Swansea campuses to ensure consistency in module delivery across the University.

Committed to his professional development, Mr. Suresh has participated in many training sessions and workshops to enhance his skills as a lecturer. This dedication to continuous improvement underscores his passion for education and his role as a lifelong learner.

Mr. Suresh is a valuable colleague who exemplifies professionalism, integrity, and excellent interpersonal skills. He is reliable, proactive, and consistently delivers high-quality work.

I am confident that Mr. Suresh Shanmugasundaram will continue to inspire students and colleagues alike, contribute meaningfully to higher education, and uphold the highest standards of teaching and learning. I wholeheartedly endorse his candidacy for this prestigious fellowship.