## Project description template

**General guidance**

The project description will be read by the selection committee members. The proposed research should be presented clearly.

Complete the chapters and sections in the template, following the order of the items, and delete the guidance in dark blue font. The template is designed to address all the elements of the assessment criteria. Nevertheless, the applicant is strongly advised to read the position announcement.

**The project description cannot exceed 5 pages**, including the list of references. The page format must be A4 with 2 cm margins, single spacing and Arial, Calibri, Times New Roman or similar 11-point font. You are permitted to use 9-point font for the list of references and figure captions.

**Project title**

**1. Relevance**

Summarise the relevance of your proposal to the earthresQue project described in the position announcement.

**2. Excellence**

**2.1 State of the art, knowledge needs and project objectives**

* Summarise the state of the art of the research area/field the project aims to contribute to and describe the knowledge needs and challenges that justify the initiation of the project.
* State the overall project objectives and aims in the context of the state of the art and knowledge needs.

**2.2 Research questions and hypotheses, theoretical approach and methodology**

* Describe in detail the research questions and/or hypotheses.
* Describe the theoretical approach and/or methodology chosen to address the project objectives, research questions and/or hypotheses.

**3. Implementation**

**3.2 Work plan / research activities**

* Describe the work plan using Gantt chart(s) or other visual representations of the plan.
* Describe the tasks linking them to specific work packages.
* Provide a brief overview of research infrastructure and other resources that will be essential for carrying out the proposed project.