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**BSPS Early Career Award – application form**

The British Society for Population Studies (BSPS) is calling for nominations for its **BSPS Early Career Award**. The prize will be a plenary slot at the BSPS Annual Conference in September. You are invited to nominate yourself and/or one or more other people. Please use a separate copy of this form for each person you wish to nominate.

**Eligibility:** The basis for the award is evidence of a promising start to a career within BSPS's remit by someone near the beginning of their career. Candidates should (*i*) be a member of BSPS at the time of nomination, (*ii*) have a degree and PhD or equivalent work experience in a relevant area, (*iii*) be within five years’ of receiving their PhD or for early career researchers working in local or national government, within 5 years of their appointment *(note: candidates who have worked part-time, taken periods of leave, or changed career may discount their time away from the profession)*, and (*iv*) have shown great potential to make a significant contribution to the field of population studies.

**Nomination procedure:** Candidates must EITHER self-nominate OR be nominated by a BSPS member working in the field of population studies. Nominations are welcomed from nominators at any career stage. Permission should be gained from candidates before nomination. By the closing date, the nominator or the applicant should send to the BSPS secretariat (*i*) a completed nomination form including a supporting statement written by the candidate (see details below), (*ii*) the candidate's CV (restricted to 2 pages), and (*iii*) copies of the candidate's two best publications, research outputs, or equivalent evidence of their work. The BSPS Council will select the winner on the basis of this material, evaluating the candidate’s achievements to date, their service to the demographic community, and the candidate’s potential for future contributions to the discipline. Applications submitted either by nominators or by applicants will be viewed equally. Please submit the nomination form with all documents (completed nomination form, CV and research outputs) in one PDF file by e-mail to the BSPS Secretariat (pic@lse.ac.uk).

**Nomination Deadline: 7 May**

**Nomination Form**

**SECTION 1: Candidate and Nominator Details**

1. Candidate Name:

Position:

Institutional/organisational address:

E-mail:

Current BSPS Member? Yes / No

(Only BSPS members are eligible to be nominated)

1. Nominator’s name (if not self-nominated):

Position:

Institutional/organisational address:

E-mail:

Current BSPS Member? Yes / No

(Only BSPS members are eligible to nominate)

1. If the candidate is more than 5 years from the award of their PhD or start of their career, please provide a brief statement explaining why the candidate is eligible. There is no need to disclose personal details, but this will simply ensure that the committee does not exclude eligible candidates.

**SECTION 2: Candidate’s Statement**

The candidate should complete the following sections describing their research achievements to date (including service to the discipline), their research agenda for the future, and providing an abstract of the paper they plan to present at the conference. Candidates are advised to focus on how their research has contributed and will contribute to knowledge in population studies rather than stating their CV in narrative form.

**Research Achievements** (300 words)

**Prospective Research Agenda** (300 words)

**Abstract of Paper to be Presented at the Conference** (300 words)

**SECTION 3: Additional Documentation**

Please include the following as attachments to this document:

* A CV with the candidate’s publications and major accomplishments (two-page limit)
* Copies of the candidate's two best publications, research outputs, or equivalent evidence of their work