

## CONTRACT OF SUPERVISION

between the PhD student

Name:  
Address:

and the supervisors

### Supervisor 1

Name:  
Institution/Faculty/Department:

### Supervisor 2

Name:  
Institution/Faculty/Department:

### § 1 Topic of PhD thesis

The PhD student start at DD/MM/YYYY with her/his PhD thesis with the topic:  
„XXXXX“

The PhD project was accepted by the supervisors.

### § 2 Work and Time Schedule

Concerning the above mentioned PhD project a time and work schedule was compiled. The implementation of the PhD project has to be designed in a way that the project can be finished within three years. The supervisors will provide their best possible support for the adherence of this time schedule. A change of the time schedule can only be done by mutual agreement.

### § 3 Tasks and Duties of the supervisors

- (1) The supervisors undertake to regular scientific consultancy of the PhD student and to regular discussion about the progress of the PhD project and the adherence of the work and time schedule. The supervisors support the scientific independence of the PhD student and support the increase of her/his international visibility.
- (2) The supervisors undertake to regular supervision – independent of the funding period.
- (3) The supervisors undertake to design the PhD process in a way that it is in agreement with the study regulations of the responsible faculty.

#### **§ 4 Tasks and Duties of the PhD student**

(1) The PhD student undertakes to independent regular report about the scientific results and partial outcomes of the PhD project and about the adherence of the time and work schedule. The PhD student undertakes to comply with the regulations of the GSS Training Schedule. The progress of the PhD project is discussed in meetings of the "Thesis Advisory Committee" (TAC). The TAC consists of the first and second supervisor. The TAC meets three times in the first year, two times in the second year and one time in the third year. In addition, the progress of the PhD project is presented in the annually Autumn Workshop and in the application for extension of the GSS membership.

(2) The PhD student undertakes to do an international internship abroad for a least two and in general not more than three months. The international intership has to be abroad and shall take place as from the second year of the PhD.

(3) The PhD student participates in the seminars, workshops and the Summer School of the GSS in agreement with the GSS Training Schedule under her/his own responsibility. Her/He undertakes to comply with the requirements of the responsible Faculty and its valid study regulations.

#### **§ 5 Working conditions of the PhD**

- (1) The PhD student is enrolled at the Ruhr-University Bochum or at the University Duisburg-Essen or the Technical University Dortmund.
- (2) The necessary resources for the successful implementation of the PhD project (working place, access to laboratory, laboratory equipment, access to computer infrastructure...) must be provided to the PhD student.

#### **§ 6 Compliance with good scientific practice**

The PhD candidate and the supervisors undertake to comply to the the rules of good scientific practice. These rules can be found on the homepage of the GSS or under the following URL: [http://www.dfg.de/download/pdf/dfg\\_im\\_profil/reden\\_stellungnahmen/download/empfehlung\\_wi\\_ss\\_praxis\\_1310.pdf](http://www.dfg.de/download/pdf/dfg_im_profil/reden_stellungnahmen/download/empfehlung_wi_ss_praxis_1310.pdf)

#### **§ 7 Mediation of conflicts**

In the case of conflicts between the PhD candidate and the supervisors the persons concerned can adress to the Ombudsman of the GSS - Prof. Dr. Volker Staemmler. If a conflict cannot be solved successfully the Dean of the GSS decides how to proceed in the future.

#### **§ 8 Reconcilability of Work and Family**

The reconcilability of family and scientific work will be given particular encouragement. Special support will be arranged based on individual needs.

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City, Date

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Signature PhD candidate

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Signature supervisor 1

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Signature supervisor 2