

### Supervision Agreement

For the doctoral project, the doctoral candidate and the university lecturer conclude the following supervision agreement, which is intended to guarantee the academic supervision required for the success of the doctoral project:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(doctoral candidate)

and

\_\_\_\_\_  
(university lecturer / chair of doctoral committee Betreuungskomitee; following supervisor]

#### 1. doctoral subject:

\_\_\_\_\_  
if applicable: name of the doctoral program or research training group

\_\_\_\_\_  
Planned topic of the dissertation (working title):

Start of the doctoral project (month/year): \_\_\_\_\_

#### 2. responsibilities doctoral candidate

At the beginning of the doctorate, doctoral candidates must draw up a project plan which also shows the planned course of the project on a timeline. Care must be taken to ensure that the plan enables the doctoral project to be successfully completed within the planned overall period (normally three to four years). Doctoral candidates are obliged to document the progress of the project in regular reports to the supervisor (first supervisor or supervisory committee) at least once a year.

#### 3. responsibilities supervisor

Academic supervision is provided in particular through regular individual discussions. It is the responsibility of the supervisor to provide doctoral candidates with an adequately equipped workplace (laboratory space) if required and to accompany and support their independent research work. The supervisor monitors the quality of the doctoral thesis and supports the doctoral candidate's independent scientific development. The supervisor assures to comment on the delivered contributions to the required extent - in oral and/or written form - at the agreed meeting dates.

#### 4. Changes during the doctoral procedure

The supervisor must be informed immediately of any changes to the topic of the dissertation, the timetable or the address and/or contact details.

#### 5. Good scientific practice

- a) a) German universities and research institutions guarantee the independence of science in research and teaching. This freedom and independence is linked to the responsibility of each individual to maintain, implement and, if necessary, defend the fundamental values and standards of good scientific practice. The successful implementation of the principles of good scientific practice is the prerequisite for high scientific standards.
- b) The undersigned undertake to comply with the principles of good scientific practice. The current guidelines of good scientific practice at the University of Oldenburg and the recommendations of the DFG on the principles of good scientific practice can be viewed on the Internet at any time: [https://uol.de/uni/amtliche\\_mitteilungen/datei/?file=AM2022-065\\_Regulations\\_governing\\_principles\\_safeguarding\\_good\\_academic\\_work\\_EN.pdf&ts=1748901600](https://uol.de/uni/amtliche_mitteilungen/datei/?file=AM2022-065_Regulations_governing_principles_safeguarding_good_academic_work_EN.pdf&ts=1748901600)

#### 6. conflict resolution

In the event of conflicts arising between the doctoral candidate and the supervisor, both parties agree to consult a third person by mutual agreement. If this agreement is not possible or if this person is unable to resolve the conflict, the Doctoral Committee must be involved. In the event of a dissolution of the supervisory relationship for which the doctoral candidate is not responsible, the faculty in the form of the Doctoral Committee shall endeavor to find an alternative, professionally appropriate supervisory relationship.

#### 7. legal matters

The doctoral candidate and the supervisor agree to regard the supervision agreement as binding, knowing that a breach of the supervision agreement may lead to legal liability for damages on both sides. The conclusion of a supervision agreement is not mandatory. A doctoral thesis may be submitted with the right to review but without a supervision agreement, and university lecturers may also refuse to supervise a doctoral thesis. This agreement becomes binding once it has been signed by the persons listed below.

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(place, date)

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doctoral candidate

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(place, date)

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(supervisor / chair of supervisory committee)