

METHODOLOGY Regarding the Public Defense of the Doctoral Thesis at WUT

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CHAPTER I

General provisions

Art. 1. The present methodology constitutes the framework for the organization and conduct of

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the doctoral thesis submission process within the Organizing Institution of Doctoral Studies - West University of Timisoara (hereinafter referred to as IOSUD-WUT).

Art. 2. This methodology is based on the following legal regulations:

- National Education Law no. 1/2011, as amended;
- Doctoral Studies Code, approved by Government Decision No 681/2011, as amended by Government Decision No 134/2016;
- Regulation on the organization and functioning of the CNATDCU, approved by MEC Order no. 4621/2020;
- MEC Order no. 5229/2020 for the approval of the methodologies related to the granting of the attestation of habilitation, the granting of the doctoral degree, as well as to the resolution of complaints regarding the non-compliance with quality standards or professional ethics, including the existence of plagiarism, in a doctoral thesis

Art. 3. The provisions of this methodology allow the fulfillment of the following objectives:

- a) Providing a reference framework for doctoral theses at WUT;
- b) to promote common principles for quality assurance in the organization and conduct of the doctoral thesis defense process in the WUT.
- **Art.4. The** doctoral degree is awarded by order of the Minister of Education (MEC), at the proposal of the National Council for the Attestation of University Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates (CNATDCU).
- **Art. 5. The** doctoral thesis in order to obtain the doctoral degree is defended in the WUT, which is an Organizing Institution of Doctoral Studies, with 12 doctoral schools, with 22 doctoral fields of doctoral studies mentioned below:

No. crt.	Doctoral School	Field of doctoral studies
1.	Doctoral School of Arts	Visual arts
2.	Doctoral School of Chemistry	Chemistry
3.	Doctoral School of Law	Drept

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4.	Doctoral School of Economics and	Accounting
	Business Administration	Economy
		Finance
		Management
		Marketing
5.	Doctoral School of Physics	Physics
6.	Doctoral School of Geography	Geography
7.	Doctoral School of Computer Science	Informatics
8.	Doctoral School of Mathematics	Mathematics
9.	Doctoral School of Music	Music
		Theater
10.	Doctoral School of Psychology	Psychology
		Educational sciences
		Sport Science and Physical Education
11.		Philosophy
	and Political Science	Sociology
		Political Science
12.	Doctoral School of Humanities	Philology
		History

CHAPTER II

Defending your doctoral thesis in front of your supervising committee

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- **Art.6 (1)** Doctoral dissertation is an original scientific work elaborated by a doctoral student in the framework of doctoral studies, which is a legal condition for obtaining the doctoral degree.
- (2) According to . Art. 3-5 of Annex 2/ OMEC 5229, the doctoral student is the author of the doctoral thesis and assumes the correctness of the data and information presented in the thesis, as well as of the opinions and demonstrations expressed in the thesis.
- (3) It is obligatory in the doctoral thesis to mention the source of any material taken.
- (4) The doctoral supervisor is jointly and severally liable with the author of the thesis for the observance of quality standards or professional ethics, including ensuring the originality of the content.
- **Art. 7 (1)** The doctoral student may choose to write his/her doctoral thesis in the following languages: Romanian, English, French, German. This information is recorded in the Doctoral Study Plan. They may be modified, under well-founded conditions, with the agreement of the doctoral supervisor and the opinion of the doctoral school.
- (2) The size of the doctoral dissertation is usually between 100 and 250 pages, depending on the specifics of each field of study.
- (4) In IOSUD-WUT the program for analyzing the similarity of doctoral theses that is used at the Doctoral Studies Office is iThenticate. The thesis is uploaded into iThenticate before the defense before the tutoring committee and, if there are objections, again before the public defense. If the level of similarity is not acceptable, the supervisor shall request that the doctoral thesis be redone in its entirety. The thesis may be subjected to similarity analysis by iThenticate a maximum of 5 times.
- (3) The level of similarity accepted in IOSUD-WUT varies between doctoral schools, but it is recommended not to exceed 10%. In well-justified cases, due to the specifics of the research, a higher percentage of similarity may be accepted with justification by a firm report from the doctoral coordinator.
- (4) Doctoral students have access to the Turnitin platform for uploading and checking the percentage of similarity of the doctoral thesis or parts of it (reports, excerpts of the thesis submitted for publication, etc.), with the doctoral coordinator's information.



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- **Art. 8.** In order to comply with the regulations in force, the doctoral student must submit the following documents to the Doctoral Studies Office (hereinafter called BSD) at least 10 and maximum 15 working days before the date scheduled for the defense of the doctoral thesis in front of the tutoring committee:
 - application for the start of the procedures for the submission of the PhD thesis to the PhD thesis supervision committee, signed by the doctoral student, endorsed by the PhD supervisor and approved by the director of the doctoral school, in order to issue the similarity report by the BSD (Annex 1);
 - the written doctoral thesis + appendices (bibliography, diagrams, images, text corpus) in electronic format (PDF).

Art.9.BSD within one week of submission of documents:

- a) starts the similarity analysis procedure.
- **b)** records the thesis submitted in electronic format and issues a certificate to the doctoral student, according to. Art 6/Annex 2/OMEC 5299 on request (Annex 2).
- **c**) send the similarity report to the doctoral supervisor who has to draft a resolution (Annex 3).
- **Art.10.** (1) After fulfilling the procedures in Art. 8 and 9, the doctoral student may defend the doctoral thesis in front of the tutoring committee.
- (2) According to Art. 6/Annex 2/OMEC 5299, the maximum duration of the thesis evaluation process in the tutoring committee is 30 days and may be extended by a maximum of 30 days only in duly justified situations.
- (2) The doctoral thesis coordinator and the three members of the doctoral thesis committee must attend the defense.
- (3)The defense of the doctoral thesis in front of the tutoring committee will take place in the WUT premises or in the Aula of the Eugen Todoran Central University Library, in a presential format. It is not possible to organize oral presentations in front of the tutoring committee on non-working days or during the committee members' rest leaves.
- **Art. 11.** After the defense of the doctoral thesis in front of the tutoring committee, the doctoral supervisor must submit to the BSD the minutes of the defense, with the agreement of the members of the committee for the approval of the public defense (Annex 4) and the acceptance

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report of the doctoral supervisor (Annex 5), within two working days.

Art.12. (1) The result of the discussion in the guidance committee is considered valid in case of unanimity of votes.

(2) If:

- the thesis is accepted, the procedures for public defense are started;
- the thesis is postponed, the deadline for redoing the thesis is specified; the thesis can be postponed a maximum of 2 times, without exceeding the legal deadline for doctoral studies;
- the thesis is rejected, the defense cannot be retaken and expulsion procedures are started.

CHAPTER III

Formal submission of the doctoral thesis and required documents to the Doctoral Studies Office for public defense

- (1) The doctoral supervisor submits to the Doctoral Studies Office, at <u>least 30 working days</u> <u>before</u> the public defense, the proposal form of the public defense committee (Annex 6) and the proposal of the date of the public defense of the doctoral thesis (Annex 7).
- (2) **The** public defense of the doctoral thesis may take place within a maximum of 6 months after the approval of the supervisory committee, but without exceeding the term stipulated in the study contract.
- **Art.14.** (1) The doctoral committee is proposed by the doctoral supervisor, endorsed by the director of the doctoral school (with the agreement of the committee chairperson) and approved by the director of the CSUD.
- (2) The doctoral committee shall consist of at least 5 members:
 - Chairman of the committee the IOSUD-WUT representative;
 - Supervisor(s) of the doctoral thesis;
 - At least three official referees, from home or abroad, specialized in the field

in which the doctoral thesis was written and of which at least 2 work outside IOSUD-WUT.

Art.15. (1) The president of the commission, as a representative of IOSUD-WUT may be: the vice-rector, the director of CSUD, a vice-rector (with the teaching level of professor or



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associate professor), the dean of the faculty, a vice-dean (with the teaching level of professor or associate professor), the director of the doctoral school, a doctoral supervisor affiliated to the doctoral school in the field of the doctoral thesis.

- (2) The members of the doctoral committee have the title of doctor and hold the position of full professor / researcher level I, full professor / researcher level II, or have the quality of doctoral supervisor, in the country or abroad.
- (3) In IOSUD-WUT external referees from Romania are affiliated to one of the universities of the "Universitaria" consortium or to one of the approved universities (Annex 8).
- (4) According to. Art 2/Annex 2, OMEC 5229, the person involved in the evaluation procedure is in a situation of conflict of interest, in the situation of the existence of a personal interest, in cases where:
- **a)** is a spouse, relative or relative up to and including the second level with the person whose file is being evaluated, including the doctoral supervisor, as appropriate;
- **b**) has received in the last 3 years prior to the evaluation or is currently receiving benefits of any kind from the person being evaluated, including the supervisor, if applicable.

This does not include occasional collaborations with IOSUD-WUT, such as participation in doctoral or habilitation committees.

Art.16. (1) The doctoral candidate submits the printed and electronic (PDF) version of the doctoral thesis to the Doctoral Studies Office at least <u>25 working days before the</u> date set for the public defense:

CV updated and signed;
list of works, drawn up in relation to the specific requirements of each field of
signed and proof of fulfillment of the minimum standards and those specific
to the doctoral field in question from IOSUD-WUT;
a sworn statement on the originality of the work (Annex 9). The doctoral
supervisor is responsible together with the author of the thesis for compliance
with quality standards or professional ethics, including ensuring the originality of
the content, according to the provisions of Article 170 of Law no. 1/2011;
declaration on the option to publish the doctoral thesis, taking into account Art
7.13 of the Study Contract (Annex 10)



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	declaration of submission of the thesis to the library + payment form (Annex
11);	
	the doctoral thesis in printed format with cover (written according to the visual
	identity criteria) in 2 copies and in PDF format in which the main text is
	represented as such and not by images (scanned texts are thus excluded; audio,
	video or graphic illustrations may be an exception to this rule).
	PhD thesis abstract, keywords and table of contents in Romanian and an
	international language, written according to the visual identity criteria in PDF
	format in which the main text is represented as such;
	for situations where personal documents (birth certificate, birth certificate
	marriage certificate, divorce certificate, identity card, bachelor's degree, master's
	degree) is not on file in the original, these should be submitted together with the
	other annexes;
	proof of payment of the doctoral dissertation defense fee, in the case of fee-
	paying students or students who have exceeded the legal period;
	publications, list of activities carried out during the doctoral studies and
	evidence of fulfillment of the minimum standards and those specific to the
	doctoral field in question from IOSUD-WUT.

Art. 17. The Doctoral Studies Office, based on these documents:

- 1. issues the CSUD Decision appointing the committee for the public defense of the doctoral thesis;
- 2. transmits the Appointment Decision to the members of the committee and corresponds with them in order to put together the portfolio of documents required for the support and the statement.

The documents needed to draw up the employment contract are:

- a) Copy of identity card
- b) A certificate from the place of work showing the duration of work (how many hours/day the employee is employed at the institution where he/she holds the basic position), seniority in the specialty, teaching position, salary;



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- c) A copy of a document issued by the bank where the referee has a card account, showing: the cardholder and the IBAN account, opened at one of the banks located in Romania;
- d) Updated, dated and signed Europass CV;
- e) In the case of retired referees, in addition to the certificate from the last place of employment, proving seniority in the specialty, teaching position, and a copy of the pension coupon is required.
- 3. sends to the DRU the documents of the members of the committee in order to draw up their individual employment contract within a maximum of 2 days of their receipt and collects the necessary forms from the DRU;
- 4. prepare and post the announcement on the website (doctorat.wut.ro) for the public defense at least 20 calendar days before the proposed date of defense. It will necessarily include the date, place and time of the defense, the supervisor or supervisors, as well as the place where the full text of the thesis can be consulted in printed format. The announcement of the public defense, the abstract of the thesis in electronic format, the CV of the doctoral candidate, the CVs of the members of the doctoral committee or links to them are posted on the IOSUD website;
- 5. send the supporting file to the committee chair;
- 6. the settlement of the work of the referees is a separate procedure.

Art. 18. Accommodation and transportation of external referees .

- WUT provides accommodation for external referees in hotels approved by law (maximum 1 night / referee / PhD);
- WUT provides transportation for external referees as follows:
 - a) by plane, reservation is made by WUT;
 - b) by train or by car, by means of a receipt (the referee submits to the chairman of the committee the documents (travel order, transport documents train ticket or gasoline coupon)



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- **Art. 19.** The doctoral student shall submit the following documents to the Central University Library "Eugen Todoran" in Timisoara 25 days before the public defense (according to the agreement between BCUT and WUT):
- doctoral thesis, according to visual identity criteria;
- booklet with the abstract of the PhD thesis in Romanian, according to the visual identity criteria;
- memorystick containing:
 - Full PhD thesis in pdf format (excluding scan);
 - abstract + keywords + table of contents (pdf format) in Romanian, and one international language.

CHAPTER III

Public defense of the doctoral thesis

- **Art. 20.** (1) The public defense of the doctoral thesis is held in the WUT premises or in the Aula of the Eugen Todoran Central University Library. Public defense cannot be organized on non-working days or during the rest leave of the committee members.
- (2) **The** doctoral student has the obligation to reserve the room 25 days before the public defense, specifying it on the form for setting the date of the defense (Annex 7);
- **Art. 21.** The doctoral thesis can be defended only after its evaluation by all the members of the doctoral committee and in the presence of at least 4 of them, with the mandatory participation of the committee president and the doctoral supervisor.
- **Art.22.** (1) **The** presence of the doctoral student at the public defense of the thesis is mandatory.
- (2) A member may participate in the online public defense, provided that he/she sends the following documents in original to the president of the committee: the doctoral thesis report with signature and the acceptance of the doctoral degree and the qualification (Annex 12).
- **Art. 23.** The public defense must include a session of questions from the members of the doctoral committee and the public, according to art. 168 para. (3) of Law no. 1/2011.



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- (1) Based on the public defense of the doctoral thesis and the reports of the official referees, the doctoral committee evaluates and deliberates on the grade to be given to the doctoral thesis. The grades that can be awarded are: "Excellent", "Very good", "Good", "Satisfactory" and "Unsatisfactory".
- (2) For the awarding of the doctoral degree and the qualification "Excellent", "Very good", "Good" or "Satisfactory", the committee's assessment of the doctoral thesis will be corroborated with the following elements: Whether the doctoral student has demonstrated the fulfillment of the field-specific standards (both national and IOSUD-WUT level), whether he/she has fulfilled all the requirements set out in the scientific research program and activities foreseen in the doctoral school's curricula (starting with students enrolled in the academic year 2022-2023). These elements are explicitly mentioned in the doctoral schools' own regulations for each doctoral program.
- (3) In the case of "Unsatisfactory", the doctoral committee specifies the elements of content to be reworked or completed in the doctoral thesis and requests a new public defense of the thesis. The second public defense of the thesis takes place in front of the same doctoral committee as for the first defense. If the second public defense is also rated "Unsatisfactory", the doctoral title is not awarded and the doctoral student is expelled.
- **(4) The** status of doctoral student shall cease upon the award of the doctoral degree or upon the issuance of the expulsion order.
- **Art.25.** (1) The president of the committee is responsible for filling in the minutes of the public defense (Annex 13), for integrating in the file the referees' documents (referees' reports; individual employment contract) and the opinion of the public defense committee regarding the appropriateness of publishing the doctoral thesis in book format in the special collection "Research Library" of the West University of Timisoara Publishing House (Annex 14)
- (2) The chairperson of the committee will return the file in printed format to the BSD within a maximum of 3 working days from the date of the submission.
- **Art.26.** (1) The BSD uploads the doctoral dossier and thesis on the national platform in order to be validated by the CNATDCU, within 30 days from the date of submission.
- (2) According to Art 11/Annex 2/OMEC 5229, the doctoral dossier shall be in printed and



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electronic format (PDF) and shall contain the following documents:

- a) scanned copy of the doctoral student's identity document;
- **b)** scanned copy of the PhD student's birth certificate;
- c) scanned copy of marriage certificate, if applicable;
- d) CV of the PhD student;
- e) the admission decision to the doctoral program;
- **f) the** doctoral university study contract and additional documents, if applicable; the doctoral university study contract contains provisions on the publication of the doctoral thesis according to the law, accompanied by the name and surname of the doctoral student and the doctoral supervisor; personal data, except for the name, will not be publicly visible;
- g) the request signed by the doctoral student, registered at the doctoral school, regarding the start of the thesis evaluation procedures by the thesis committee, approved by the doctoral supervisor, in order to be submitted for the doctoral thesis;
- h) a scanned copy of the declaration signed by the doctoral student and the doctoral supervisor regarding the assumption of responsibility for ensuring the originality of the content of the doctoral thesis, as well as the compliance with quality and professional ethics standards;
- i) the similarity report including the resolution of the supervisor and, where appropriate, of other people who analyzed the report;
- **j**) the report prepared by the doctoral school, preliminary to the public defense of the thesis, and documents proving the course of the study program;
- **k**) **the** proposal for the composition of the doctoral committee, formulated by the doctoral supervisor and approved by the CSUD;
- 1) CVs of doctoral committee members;
- m) the decision to appoint the doctoral committee;
- **n**) the request for fixing the date for the public defense of the doctoral thesis, endorsed by the doctoral supervisor and the doctoral committee chair;
- o) the announcement for public support;
- **p)** a certificate of submission of a printed copy of the doctoral thesis to the library;
- **q**) reports of the official referees, members of the doctoral committee, signed by them, in the form of scanned copies or electronically signed documents;
- r) the acceptance report from the PhD supervisor;



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- s) the opinion of the doctoral guidance committee in order to submit the doctoral thesis to the doctoral school secretariat;
- t) the minutes of the public defense of the doctoral thesis and the annex with questions and answers, containing the proposal for the award of the doctoral degree, signed by all members of the doctoral committee, in the form of a scanned copy or an electronically signed document;
- u) the abstract of the doctoral thesis;
- v) the doctoral thesis and its annexes, in electronic format (pdf format, excluding scan);
- w) the list of publications resulting from the scientific research in the doctoral program, published or accepted for publication, if applicable, and scanned copies of those publications;
- **x**) **the** doctoral student's statement on his/her options regarding the publication of the doctoral thesis on the national platform;
- y) IOSUD's request to enter the CNATDCU evaluation procedure of the doctoral thesis.
- (3) According to Art. 13 + 14/Annex 2/OMEC 5229, the PhD thesis and its annexes, in electronic format, are signed with electronic signature by the designated persons of IOSUD WUT and uploaded on the CNATDCU platform in PDF format. By the qualified/advanced electronic signature IOSUD assumes the responsibility for the conformity with the original of the documents included in the electronic file of the PhD student, including the conformity of the documents in electronic format with those in printed format.

CHAPTER IV

Awarding a doctorate

- **Art.27.(1) According to** Art 15/Annex 2/OMEC 5229, the CNATDCU, following the evaluation of the doctoral dossier, proposes to the Minister of Education to grant or not to grant the doctoral degree.
- (2) According to Art. 26/Annex 2/OMEC 5229, on the basis of the CNATDCU decision on the award of the doctoral degree, the Minister of Education and Research grants the title of doctor by order.
- (3) According to Art 28/Annex 2/OMEC 5229, the IOSUD communicates the CNATDCU decision to the doctoral student within a maximum of 10 days from the notification.

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- (1) According to Art. 27/Annex 2/OMEC 5229, if the CNATDCU decision is to invalidate the doctoral thesis, the CNATDCU platform notifies IOSUD-WUT of this decision accompanied by the synthetic evaluation report.
- (2) **The** doctoral file may be resubmitted by IOSUD-WUT within a maximum of one year after invalidation.
- (3)The CNATDCU does not reanalyze the files concerning doctoral theses that have been analyzed and invalidated once and that are not submitted within one year after the invalidation, as well as the files concerning doctoral theses that have been analyzed and invalidated twice. If the CNATDCU issues an invalidation decision after the evaluation of a thesis that has been submitted, it proposes to the MEC not to grant the doctoral degree, and the MEC issues an order not to grant the degree.
- **Art. 29. (4)** According to Art. 26/Annex 2/OMEC 5229, after the completion of the ministerial order in the platform and based on the publication options completed by IOSUD-WUT in the CNATDCU platform, the thesis and annexes become public on the national platform.
- (5)After the issuance of the ministerial order validating the quality of doctor, the Doctoral Studies Office permanently archives the doctoral file.
- **Art. 30.** The Office of Doctoral Studies, according to the legislation in force, transmits to the National Library of Romania the doctoral theses (1 copy), the abstracts (2 copies) and a CD with the thesis and abstract for each validated doctor, within two months from the issuance of the ministerial order validating the doctoral quality.

CHAPTER V

Resolving complaints about non-compliance with quality or professional ethics standards in the framework of a doctoral thesis

Art.31. (1) According to Annex 3 / OMEC 5229, CNATDCU may accept for analysis complaints regarding the non-compliance with quality or professional ethics standards, including the existence of plagiarism, within a doctoral thesis.



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- (2) The CNATDCU shall communicate the anonymized referral to IOSUD, including by electronic means.
- **Art. 32.** Under the conditions of registration of a referral received through CNATDCU regarding IOSUD-WUT:
- (1) According to Art. 14/Annex 3/WECO 5229, IOSUD-WUT officially informs the holder of the doctoral degree about the existence of a complaint regarding the doctoral thesis elaborated by him/her and requests his/her written opinion on the complaint within 14 days.
- (2) IOSUD-WUT officially informs the doctoral supervisor about the existence of a complaint regarding the doctoral thesis and asks for his/her written opinion on the complaint within 14 days.
- (3) IOSUD-WUT informs the Ethics Commission of WUT, requests a decision within 25 days. The BSD provides the commission with the documents necessary to analyze the complaint.
- **(4)** Cf. Art. 14/Annex 3/OMEC 5229 In the case of a confirmed breach of quality or professional ethics standards, the IOSUD-WUT shall submit to the CNATDCU the decision on the proposal to withdraw the title, signed by the Rector and legally endorsed.
- **Art. 33.** In accordance with Art 5/Annex 3/OMEC 5229, the BSD uploads the following documents in electronic format to the CNATDCU platform within a maximum of 30 days from the date of publication of the decision on the admission of the complaint:
- a) the "true original" copy of the doctoral thesis in question existing in the institution;
- **b**) information on the author of the doctoral thesis (CNP, date of doctoral enrollment, date of public defense of the doctoral thesis, copy of the order of the Minister by which the doctoral degree was awarded, the serial number of the doctoral degree and the number and date of issue, the name and surname of the doctoral supervisor);
- **c**) copies of the documentation related to the public defense of the doctoral dissertation, namely: the decision appointing the committee / order of the rector, the reports prepared by the members of the committee, the minutes of the public defense;
- d) contact details of the author of the doctoral thesis;
- **e) the** opinion of IOSUD-WUT on the proposal to maintain/withdraw the PhD degree, signed by the Rector, accompanied by:



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- the internal documents and regulations, in force at the date of the doctoral registration of the author of the doctoral thesis and applicable at the date of the public defense, which have substantiated this proposal,
- the decision of the University Ethics Committee, legally endorsed,
- internal measures established where a breach of university ethics has been found;
- f) the opinion of the author of the doctoral thesis;
- **g)** the doctoral supervisor's point of view.

Art.34(1)The CNATDCU decision is communicated to IOSUD-WUT.

- (2) According to Art 27/Annex 3/OMEC 5229 IOSUD-WUT communicates the CNATDCU decision to the author of the doctoral thesis.
- (3) According to Art 26/Annex 3/OMEC 5229, if the CNATDCU decides that the standards of quality or professional ethics have not been respected, the ME shall order the following measures to be taken, alternatively or simultaneously:
- a) withdrawal of the quality of doctoral supervisor / habilitation certificate;
- **b**) withdrawal of the title of doctor;
- **c**) withdrawal of the doctoral school's accreditation, which implies the withdrawal of the right of the doctoral school to organize an admission contest for the selection of new doctoral students.

CHAPTER VI

Final provisions

- **Art.35.** (1) IOSUD-WUT, at the proposal of the CSUD and with the approval of the WUT Senate, charges a fee for the defense of the doctoral thesis for doctoral students in fee-paying regime and for those who have exceeded the three years of internship.
- (2) The amount of this fee is set annually by the Senate of the university, at the proposal of the CSUD.
- **Art. 36**. The doctor's degree is issued within 2 (two) months after the award of the doctor's degree by MEC Order. The diploma is issued on the name on the birth certificate, conf. OMEN no. 657/2014, Art. 13 (3).

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Anexa 1
Nr. înreg. BSD/Registration No.
Aviz Director Școală Doctorală/Doctoral School Director's Notice
(Nume și prenume/Name and surname)
(Semnătura/Signature)
Doamnă / Domnule Director/ Dear Sir/Madam,
Subsemnata / subsemnatul student- doctorand/ The undersigned PhD student
înmatriculat(ă) la doctorat în anul/ enrolled in doctoral studies in the year în domeniul/in the field la Şcoala doctorală de/ at the doctoral school of având conducător științific de doctorat pe
doamna / domnul/ with the PhD supervisor Prof.
Vă rog să demarați procedurile de analiză a similitudinilor și de evaluare a tezei de doctorat cu titlul/Please begin the procedures for the similarity check and assessment of the thesis entitled:
(titlul cu litere de tipar/ title in capital letters) de către comisia de îndrumare/ by the advisory board. Declar că am depus la Biroul de studii doctorale teza de doctorat în format pdf și în caz de aviz favorabil o voi susține în fața comisiei de îndrumare în termen de 30 de zile/ I hereby declare that I have submitted the thesis at the doctoral office in pdf format and, in case of favourable notice, I will defend the thesis in front of the advisory board within 30 days since the submission.
Data/Date,
(Semnătura student-doctorand/ Phd student signature) Aviz Conducător de doctorat/ PhD Supervisor's notice



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Anexa 2
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, a depus teza de doctorat cu titlul/ has submitted
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Director CSUD/ Director of Council for Doctoral Studies,
(Nume și prenume/ Name and surname)
(Semnătura/ Signature)
Secretar/ Secretary,
(Nume și prenume/ <i>Name and surname</i>)



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Anexa 3

REZOLUȚIA CONDUCĂTORULUI DE DOCTORAT CU PRIVIRE LA RAPORTUL DE SIMILITUDINE/ PhD SUPERVISOR'S RESOLUTION ABOUT THE SIMILARITY REPORT

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Anexa 4

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Conducătorul de doctorat și membrii comisiei de îndrumare sunt / nu sunt de acord cu depunerea oficială a tezei de doctorat și cu demararea procedurilor de organizare a susținerii



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publice a tezei de doctorat / The PhD supervisor and the members of the advisory board agree/do not agree that the thesis is prepared for the public defense.

CONDUCĂTOR DE DOCTORAT PhD SUPERVISOR	MEMBRII COMISIEI DE ÎNDRUMARE MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY BOARD 1.
(Semnătura/ Signature)	2
	3(Semnăturile membrilor comisiei de îndrumare/
Signatures of the members of the advisory board)	•



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Anexa 5

Referat de acceptare al conducătorului de doctorat cu privire la susținerea publică a tezei de doctorat/ PhD Supervisor's acceptance report of the thesis for public defense

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Anexa 6

Aprobat/Approved	Aprobat/	Approved	A	Aprobat/ Approved		
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Chair of the board	Doctoral	school director	r	EDS Director		
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Anexa 7

Aprobat/Approved Președinte comisie Chair of the board	Aprobat/Approved Director Şcoală Doctorală Doctoral school director	Aprobat/ Approved Director CSUD CDS Director
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Anexa 8

Lista universităților agreate de UVT/ List of universities approved by UVT

Academia de Muzică "Gheorghe Dima" din Cluj-Napoca

Academia de Studii Economice din București

Școala Națională de Studii Politice și Administrative București

Universitatea "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" din Iași

Universitatea "Babeș-Bolyai" din Cluj-Napoca

Universitatea "Lucian Blaga" din Sibiu

Universitatea "Ștefan cel Mare" Suceava

Universitatea "Transilvania" din Brașov

Universitatea București

Universitatea de Artă și Design Cluj-Napoca

Universitatea de Arte "George Enescu" Iași

Universitatea de Arte Târgu-Mureș

Universitatea de Medicină și Farmacie "Carol Davila" București

Universitatea de Medicină și Farmacie "Iuliu Hațieganu" Clui

Universitatea de Medicină și Farmacie "Victor Babeș" Timișoara

Universitatea de Medicină și Farmacie Târgu Mures

Universitatea de Științe Agricole și Medicină Veterinară "Regele Mihai I al României" din

Timișoara

Universitatea din Craiova

Universitatea din Oradea

Universitatea Națională de Artă Teatrală și Cinematografică din București

Universitatea Națională de Arte din București

Universitatea Națională de Muzică din București

Universitatea Politehnica Timișoara

Universitatea Politehnică din București

Universitatea Tehnică "Gheorghe Asachi" din Iași

Universitatea Tehnică din Cluj-Napoca (inclusiv Centul Universitar Nord din Baia-Mare)

Toate Institutele Academiei Române

Toate Institutele Nationale de Cercetare – Dezvoltare



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Anexa 9

DECLARAȚIE/DECLARATION

privind opțiunile studentului doctorand cu referire la publicarea tezei de doctorat/regarding the PhD student's options about the publication of the thesis

Subsemnatul/The	undersigned:		
în calitate de student-doctor	rand al Școlii Doctora	le/PhD student in the do	octoral school of:
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- a) rezumatul tezei este publicat pe site-ul universității sau, după caz, al Academiei Române și poate fi consultat public după emiterea dispoziției de numire a comisiei de susținere/ the thesis summary is published on the website of the university or, as the case may be, of the Romanian Academy and may be publicly consulted after the issuance of the numbering provisions of the examination board;
- b) teza în format tipărit poate fi consultată la BCUT sau la sediul Academiei Române cu cel puțin 20 de zile înainte de data fixată pentru susținerea publică. Lucrarea de doctorat rămâne document public la biblioteca universității sau, după caz, a Academiei Române/ the thesis in printed format can be consulted at the Central University Library or, as the case may be, of the Romanian Academy at least 20 days before the date set for the public defense. The doctoral thesis remains public domain at the library of the university or, as the case may be, of the Romanian Academy;
- c) dacă studentul-doctorand nu optează pentru publicarea distinctă a tezei sau a unor capitole din aceasta, forma digitală a tezei este făcută publică și va putea fi accesată liber pe platforma națională după emiterea dispoziției de acordare a titlului de doctor; tezei i se va atribui o licență de protecție a dreptului de autor / if the PhD student does not opt for the publication of the thesis or of some chapters thereof, the digital format of the thesis will be made public and will be freely accessible on the national platform after issuing the disposition to grant the doctoral degree; the thesis will be assigned a copyright protection license;
- d) dacă studentul-doctorand optează pentru publicarea distinctă a tezei de doctorat sau a unor fragmente din ea, el va avea la dispoziție o perioadă de maximum 9 luni de la emiterea ordinului de ministru pentru a face dovada publicării sau a statusului manuscrisului, pentru publicarea integrală a tezei, în format carte, la o editură recunoscută din țară sau străinătate, respectiv pentru trimiterea de informații către BSD despre publicarea unor fragmente din teză, sub formă de articole (în jurnale sau publicații de tip proceedings, capitole de carte etc.), cu precizarea clară a următoarelor elemente: autor, titlu, jurnal/colecție (număr, volum, an, pagini, eventual DOI, Accession number), editură (ISBN, link). După această perioadă, în cazul în care nu a fost primită la IOSUD-UVT nicio notificare cu privire la cele de mai sus, documentul în



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e) după acordarea titlului de doctor, în termen de maximum 30 de zile IOSUD are obligația transmiterii unui exemplar tipărit al tezei de doctorat la Biblioteca Națională a României, unde poate fi accesat la cerere / after being granted the doctoral degree, within maximum 30 days, IOSUD has the obligation to send a printed copy of the doctoral thesis to the National Library of Romania, where it can be accessed upon request.

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Anexa 10

DECLARAŢIE/DECLARATION

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în calitate de student-doctorand al Școlii Doc	ctorale/as student in the Doctoral School of:
(denumire Scoală Doctorală/name of doctoral school) autor al tezei de doctorat cu titlul/ author of	the thesis entitled:
şi./and	
	e conducător de doctorat/ PhD supervisor name and surname)
derulate pe parcursul programului doctoral/a result of research carried during the doctoral. Ne asumăm prin prezenta consecințele le proprietate intelectuală și regululor de etică a Legea educației naționale nr. 1/2011, cu moc (5) – (7) din Codul studiilor universitare consecutive are aware of the legal conserved ethics are not observed, in accordare	doctorat este originală, fiind rezultatul cercetărilor hereby declare that the thesis is original, being the al program. Egale care decurg din nerespectarea dreptului de a cercetării, conform art. 143, alin (4) și art. 170 din dificările și completările ulterioare și ale art. 65 alin de doctorat, aprobat prin Hotărârea Guvernului nr. sequences in case the copyright and the rules of the with Art 143, para (4) and Article 170 from the obsequent amendments and of Article 65 para (5)—
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Anexa 11

DECLARAȚIE DE DEPUNERE A TEZEI DE DOCTORAT DECLARATION OF THESIS SUBMISSION

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Anexa 12

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Tara/Country
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Domeniul de doctorat/Doctoral field:
Limba oficială de pregătire a doctoratului/Language of the doctoral program:
Titlul tezei de doctorat într-o limbă de circulație internațională/Thesis title in an internationa language :



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Semnătura/Signature,

Adresa de domiciliu/Permanent address :
Locul de muncă și adresa locului de muncă/Workplace and address of the workplace
Numele și prenumele se vor scrie, <u>OBLIGATORIU</u> , conform certificatului de nastere, cu litere
mari de tipar, respectând ordinea în care sunt înscrise în certificatul de naștere. <u>DIPLOMA SE ELIBEREAZA PE NUMELE DIN CERTIFICATUL DE NAȘTERE(conform</u>
<u>Regulamentului MEN privind regimul actelor de studii în sistemul de învățământ superior din 24.11.2014).</u>
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IT APPEARS IN THE BIRTH CERTIFICATE (in accordance with MEN Regulation regarding diplomas in the Romanian higher education system of 24.11. 2014)



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Anexa 13

ACCEPTUL/ ACCEPTANCE

cu privire la acordarea titlului de doctor și a calificativului/ of awarding the PhD degree and honours

Subsemnatul/ <i>The undersigned</i>
de la Universitatea/ university affiliation
numit referent în comisia de doctorat a doamnei / domnului/ appointed member in the examining board of the public defense of the thesis written by
vă aduc la cunoștință că din motive obiective nu pot să particip la susținerea publică a tezei de doctorat cu titlul/ I hereby declare that, for objective reasons, I was uanble to physically attend the public defense of the thesis entitled
Precizez că îmi mențin concluziile exprimate de mine în referatul de analiză a tezei de doctorat și sunt de acord cu acordarea titlului de doctor în domeniul de doctorat / <i>I maintain the conclusions presented in my written report about the doctoral thesis and I agree with the awarding of the PhD degree in the field</i>
cu calificativul/ with honours
Deasemenea împuternicesc pe președintele comisiei de susținere publică a tezei de doctorat să semneze în numele meu toate documentele necesare/ I also hereby transfer my authority to the chair of the examining board to sign all the required documents on my behalf.
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2		PhD	For	
	West University of Timișoara	Supervisor	Against	
3		Reviewer	For	
	University	_	Against	
4		Reviewer	For	
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OPINION of the public support defence in book format the doctoral thesis with the		egarding the appropriateness of publishing
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