

REMINDER OF THE RULES FOR THESIS DIRECTORS WISHING TO PROPOSE A DOCTORAL PROJECT IN SUPPORT OF A DOCTORAL CONTRACT APPLICATION

- ☐ To be eligible to supervise a doctoral thesis, one must hold an HDR (Habilitation à Diriger des Recherches). For permanent staff who do not yet have an HDR, authorization to submit a thesis project will only be granted if permission to defend the HDR has been obtained and if the defense date, which must be before October 1, 2025, has been officially confirmed by the administration.
- ☐ As an exception, researchers can obtain an authorization to supervise a thesis (ADT) from Université Paris Cité. The ADT allows a researcher to gain initial experience as a thesis director before obtaining the HDR. It is granted for a single doctoral student and a single doctoral research project. Only one ADT may be granted per applicant. The ADT does not replace the HDR and is valid for only one thesis supervision.
- ☐ Each HDR holder may be affiliated with only one Doctoral School (ED) and can submit only one project, with at most one prospective candidate. However, a thesis director who is not currently supervising any doctoral student (and who presents a student for the competition) may recruit a second student if the second doctoral candidate obtains funding through another source (e.g., foundation, CIFRE, ANR, Région, etc.).
- ☐ The supervision limit must not exceed two doctoral students per HDR, whether as a main supervisor or co-supervisor (co-supervision counts as one supervision). The only exception to the two-doctorate rule is cotutelle agreements, where the agreement explicitly states that the doctoral student will spend at least 50% of their time in the partner country. A thesis director should therefore supervise only one doctoral student when submitting their project. They may supervise two if the request for jury composition for one of the doctoral students has been submitted before the application deadline.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, Dr., hereby certify that:

- ☐ I obtained my Habilitation à Diriger des Recherches (HDR) on at
- OR
- ☐ I hold an ADT, obtained on for supervising the thesis of
- OR
- ☐ I have obtained administrative approval to defend my HDR on (This date must be strictly before October 1st of the competition year.)

And I certify that¹ :

- ☐ I am currently supervising none or only one doctoral student.
- ☐ I am currently supervising two doctoral students, but one of them will have submitted their jury composition request before the application deadline.

Full names, thesis year, and expected defense date of the Doctoral Students currently under your supervision:

Doct#1-

Doct#2-

Signature of the
Thesis Director

Signature of the host Team/Unit

I, the undersigned, Director of the
Team/Unit/Department,
Hereby certify that I agree for Mr./Ms. to host a doctoral student
for the proposed project attached to this certification.

Done in Paris, on

¹ REMINDER: Applying for funding through a doctoral contract call is equivalent to supervising a doctoral student until the results of the call are known. This means that if the funding result is expected after May 20, 2024 (e.g., China Scholarship Council call), it will count as a supervised student and reduce the available slots accordingly.