

between the **doctoral researcher**

**Ms. / Mr.** \_\_\_\_\_

the **first supervisor**

**Ms. / Mr.** \_\_\_\_\_

the **second supervisor**

**Ms. / Mr.** \_\_\_\_\_

the **third supervisor**

**Ms. / Mr.** \_\_\_\_\_

## **§ 1 Dissertation Topic**

The doctoral researcher will begin his/her dissertation, starting on \_\_\_\_\_, on the following topic:

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## **§ 2 Schedule and Work Plan**

During the mandatory kickoff meeting, the supervisors and the doctoral researcher developed a schedule for the dissertation project. The dissertation project is structured such that the doctoral researcher can finish it within three years.

The supervisors will support the doctoral researcher to guarantee the timely completion of the dissertation project. The supervisors and the doctoral researcher can mutually agree on changing the schedule.

## **§ 3 Roles and Obligations of the Supervisors**

- (1) The supervisors regularly provide subject-specific feedback to their doctoral researcher. They offer regular consultations on the progress of the dissertation project and review the adherence to the schedule and work plan.  
The supervisors foster the doctoral researcher's scientific independence and support measures to increase his/her international visibility.
- (2) The supervisors commit themselves to supervise the doctoral researcher until the dissertation is completed – independently of the availability of funding.

## **§ 4 Roles and Obligations of the Doctoral Researcher**

- (1) The doctoral researcher is committed to adhering to the schedule and work plan. He/she shall report preliminary results of his/her dissertation at least once a semester in personal consultations with the supervisors.
- (2) For a successful completion of the doctorate, the doctoral researchers have, additionally, to meet the doctoral degree regulations of the Department of Statistics at TU Dortmund.

## **§ 5 Working Conditions of the Doctoral Researcher**

Throughout the doctoral project, the doctoral researcher is enrolled as a student at TU Dortmund university. In addition to the benefits of enrollment, the following resources will be provided to the doctoral researcher (if applicable): Office space, access to a computer, access to a high-performance computing cluster.

## **§ 6 Adherence to the Principles of Good Scientific Practice and Research Data Management**

The doctoral researcher and the supervisor commit themselves to adhering to the principles of Good Scientific Practice and Research Data Management. These principles are specified in the following documents:  
<https://www.tu-dortmund.de/en/research/research-ethics/good-scientific-practice/>  
<https://www.tu-dortmund.de/en/research/research-data-management/principles-of-rdm/>

## **§ 7 Mediation of Conflicts**

In case of conflicts between the doctoral researcher and one of the supervisors, the involved parties may contact the ombudsperson of the department and/or the chairperson of the doctoral committee. Furthermore, they may involve the ombudsperson of the university. In any case, the consultation will be confidential.

## **§ 8 Compatibility of family und science**

The Department of Statistics supports the compatibility of family and scientific work. Doctoral researchers can receive targeted support by the department.

### **Signatures**

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Place, Date

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Signature of doctoral researcher

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Place, Date

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Signature of first supervisor

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Signature of second supervisor

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Place, Date

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Signature of third supervisor