

Participation Agreement for Doctoral Students in the Frankfurt International Graduate School for Science (FIGSS) at the Frankfurt Institute for Advanced Studies (FIAS)

Between the Frankfurt International Graduate School for Science represented by

[name and function of the FIGSS coordinator], hereinafter referred to as "FIGSS",

and the doctoral student

[first name last name, work group], hereinafter referred to as "FIGSS member", the following participation agreement is made:

1. Purpose:

This Participation Agreement governs the general conditions of the doctoral student participation in the Graduate School at the Frankfurt Institute for Advanced Studies.

2. Admission Requirements:

FIGSS members are selected on the basis of his/her scientific merit and suitability by FIAS and the Fellows. The FIAS does not grant the doctoral degree, this is done at an affiliated university. The doctoral student is obliged to submit the "Declaration of Acceptance as a doctoral student" of the supervising university to the FIGSS coordinator 3 months, at the latest 6 months, after starting at FIAS.

3. Duration of participation:

The doctoral student's participation in the graduate school at FIAS begins with the start of the Doctorate and ends at the latest on the day of the defense. The exact duration of participation depends on the member's individual plan of doctoral studies. A copy of the doctoral certificate must be submitted with the end of the doctoral program. The FIGSS member will receive a certificate of achievement upon successful participation in the FIGSS program.

4. Supervision and Support:

FIGSS members are supervised by a professionally qualified FIAS Fellow. The Fellows support the participants in the planning and execution of their research projects and as contact. In addition, the scientific and administrative coordinators of FIGSS are available for questions and problems or in conflict situations.

5. Offers of the FIGSS:

a) The FIGSS offers a scientific environment of high quality to the doctoral students of the FIAS. b) FIGSS, in cooperation with the Goethe Research Academy for Early Career Researchers (GRADE) and other graduate schools, offers a comprehensive range of seminars and events for the continuing education of its members.

c) The FIGSS Seminar, courses and a regular Student Retreat promote professional and interdisciplinary exchange among members.

d) Additionally, networking and cultural events are offered.



6. FIGSS Member Commitments:

The FIGSS member commits to regularly participate in scholarly activities and events of the Graduate School and FIAS. These include:

- a) Participation in Welcome Days during the first 12 months.
- b) Regular participation in the FIGSS seminar.
 - During the course of the doctorate, at least 2 scientific presentations of one's own in the seminar or at another FIGSS event.
- c) Participation in a course on good scientific practice offered, for example, by GRADE, where it should be taken with success.
- d) Participation in at least two other courses, e.g., from the following areas:
 - Ethics of Science, History of the Natural/Life Sciences, Philosophy in the Natural/Life Sciences, Career Planning.
- e) Conduct or participate in at least one public outreach event or activity.
- f) Publications, prizes, and awards must be reported promptly to FIGSS so that they can be acknowledged in press activities.
- g) For inclusion in the FIGSS final documents, all accomplishments should be reported to FIGSS no later than the time the defense is registered.

If comparable achievements have already been fulfilled in the context of another graduate school, they will be recognized.

FIGSS reserves the right to terminate a member's participation in graduate school for gross violation of the terms of this Participation Agreement or the rules of FIAS.

This Participation Agreement has been prepared in triplicate: One copy for the Frankfurt Institute for Advanced Studies and one copy each for the member and the supervising fellow. All versions are valid as of the date of signature.

Place, Date

Signature Participant

Place, Date

Signature Fellow

Place, date

Signature FIGSS Coordinator

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