STATUTE OF THE EXPERT PANEL OF
THE DOCTORAL GRANT COMPETITION
(DGS)
Article 1
Introductory provisions

The Expert Panel of the Doctoral Grant Competition (hereinafter the DGS Expert Panel) is established at the VSB-TUO university level and combines three areas of research and development, which correspond to the material focus of accredited doctoral study programmes at VSB-TUO: Natural Sciences, Engineering and Technology, Social Sciences. The DGS Expert Panel ensures the proper conduct of the doctoral grant competition.

Article 2
Competences of the Expert Panel

DGS Expert Panel:

1. approves and modifies the rules of the doctoral grant competition (Regulations of the DGS),

2. approves and amends the related internal regulations of VSB-TUO related to the implementation of DGS,

3. provides methodological support for the proper implementation of DGS rules,

4. sets up the DGS evaluation process,

5. selects a set of opponents,

6. assigns opponents to individual project proposals with regard to professional focus,

7. evaluates DGS project proposals, announces the results of the doctoral grant competition, decides on the selection of projects and the amount of their financial support,

8. monitors and evaluates the fulfilment of indicators and objectives of the Operational Programme of Research, Development and Education (OP RDE) project,

9. evaluate completed DGS student projects,

10. prepares and approves a written report on the success of the implementation of the OP RDE project, including the evaluation of the achieved results and the fulfilment of indicators and objectives,

11. monitors the input of the results achieved within the Personal Bibliographic Database (OBD), including affiliations and grant assignments,

12. Proposes amendments to the Statute of the Expert Panel of the DGS.
Article 3
Composition of the Expert Panel

The Expert Panel has 9 members.
The list of names of the members of the Expert Panel is attached to this Statute of the Expert Panel.
The members of the Expert Panel are appointed by the Rector of VSB-TUO on the proposal of the Expert Guarantor.
Membership in the Expert Panel is irreplaceable.
The DGS Expert Guarantor may dismiss a member of the Expert Panel in justified cases.

Article 4
Term of Office of Members of the Expert Panel

The term of office of the members of the Expert Panel is set for the duration of the OP RDE project, namely 1/9/2020 – 30/6/2023.

Article 5
Expert Panel Meetings

The activities of the Expert Panel are managed by the DGS Expert Guarantor.
The Expert Panel meets regularly; at least once a calendar quarter.
Meetings of the Expert Panel are convened, managed and coordinated by the Expert Guarantor or a member of the Expert Panel authorised by him/her.
The expert panel has a quorum if more than half of its members is present. The expert Panel decides by consensus.
In the event that the Expert Panel does not reach a consensus, the Expert Guarantor shall decide on the voting. Decisions of the Expert Panel are taken on the basis of a majority of votes of the members present. The Expert Guarantor may vote; in the event of a tie, the Expert Guarantor has the decisive vote.
Members of the Expert Panel who are in conflict of interest must leave the meeting room when discussing individual DGS student projects.
The Expert Panel decides on the selection of projects and on the amount of the awarded DGS student grant. The Expert Panel proposes a possible reduction of the amount of the allocated student grant compared to the required amount, according to the proposal of the evaluators or on the basis of the result of a comparison of grant applications discussed by the Expert Panel
among themselves. The Expert Panel is obliged to prepare a record of the evaluation of projects and their order, which will include a clear way of evaluating DGS project proposals and the signatures of more than half the members of the Expert Panel. The Expert Panel is obliged to keep this record with the Project Manager in accordance with the valid regulations.

Article 6
Final Provisions

This statute takes effect on the day it is signed by the Rector of VSB-TUO.
Amendments to this statute are approved by the Expert Panel.

In Ostrava on..........................

30. 09. 2020

Prof. RNDr. Václav Snášel, CSc.
Rector VSB-TUO
Appendix: List of full members of the Expert Panel

Prof. Mgr. Jana Kukutschová, Ph.D.
Prof. Ing. Jaromír Pištora, CSc.
Prof. Ing. Lucie Obalová, Ph.D.
Prof. Ing. Daniela Plachá, Ph.D.
Prof. Ing. Bohumír Strnadl, DrSc.
Prof. Ing. Stanislav Mišák, Ph.D.
Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ing. Tadeáš Ochodek
Prof. Ing. Tomáš Kozubek, Ph.D.
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