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#### Ärende

Förutsättningar för godkännande av ansökan om dubbel doktorsexamen vid Chalmers

### Bakgrund

Möjligheten att erbjuda en dubbel doktorsexamen från Chalmers och dess partneruniversitet främjar högskolornas internationella samarbete samt doktorandernas exponering till andra forskarmiljöer.

Efterfrågan på dubbla doktorsexamina har ökat under senare tid, både från Chalmers forskare och från forskarkollegor vid utländska universitet. Ansökningar lämnas till vicerektor för forskarutbildning med jämna mellanrum och de varierar i form och struktur. Speciella mallar för detta ändamål har använts genom att följa antingen det utländska partneruniversitetets eller Chalmers modell. Oavsett vilken modell man följer finns det några krav som Chalmers ställer, vilka lägger grunden för en fortsatt behandling av en sådan ansökan, vare sig den kommer från Chalmers eller utlandet.

Förutsättningar för en dubbel doktorsexamen är inskrivning av doktoranden vid bägge lärosätena och att planering och överenskommelser görs i början av doktorandens forskarutbildning vad gäller uppfyllelse av kursdelen i doktorandens studier, finansiering av doktoranden, avhandling och diplom.

#### Beslut

För att starta en process om dubbel doktorsexamen skall doktoranden vara inskriven vid båda universiteten och doktoranden skall inte ha hunnit med mer än en tredjedel av sin forskarutbildning vid tillfället då ansökan om dubbel doktorsexamen lämnas in för behandling. Doktoranden skall uppfylla Chalmers krav om kurspoäng, finansiering för doktoranden skall vara säkrad och en avhandling skall leda till två diplom för doktorsexamen, ett från vardera universitet. Övriga bestämmelser regleras i Chalmers mall för avtal om dubbel doktorsexamen.

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Bifogas:

Mall för avtal om dubbel doktorsexamen

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Prefekter vid Chalmers Institutioner

# Agreement for Granting Double Doctoral Degrees

hetween

## Chalmers University of Technology (Chalmers)

and

### XXXX

The parties above agree to the regulations detailed below which define the procedure for admission, study and research conditions, supervision and examination of doctoral candidates aiming for degrees from both Chalmers and XXXX.

### Aim of Agreement

The aim of the procedure for double doctoral degrees is to promote and develop scientific cooperation and the mobility of doctoral candidates between Chalmers and XXXX.

### **Clauses of Agreement**

- 1) The doctoral candidate must be registered in both Chalmers and XXXX. Admission should comply with the rules of both universities. Admission need not be simultaneous but when done for the second university the study plan, including time sharing, has to be drafted.
- 2) The doctoral candidate must not have completed more than one third of course and research requirements by the time the application for a double doctoral degree is submitted to Chalmers.
- 3) The doctoral candidate covered by the double degree procedure shall work under the direction and responsibility of thesis advisors from Chalmers and XXXX.
- 4) The length of time for preparation of the thesis will be shared between Chalmers and XXXX according to a plan agreed upon by the doctoral candidate and thesis advisors.
- 5) The plan for the doctoral candidate's studies and research should be regularly revised by the doctoral candidate and thesis advisors reflecting the progress of the candidate and according to the requirements and practices of each university.
- 6) The doctoral degree course requirements for Chalmers and XXXX must be fulfilled. Courses completed by the candidate at either university will be given equal credit at

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both universities towards their respective requirements, as far as the courses can be considered part of the formal degree requirements.

- 7) A plan for financial support of the doctoral candidate's research will be made by the thesis advisors from Chalmers and XXXX. The candidate will be provided a salary or scholarship in accordance with the practices and laws of each university. The doctoral candidate should also have access to equipment, consumables and premises required for research activities when present at either of the institutions.
- 8) The protection of the thesis subject as well as its publication, reproduction and the dissemination of the research results must be in accordance with the procedures specific to each university.
- 9) The jointly supervised thesis will be written in English. The cover of the doctoral thesis will comply with the regulations from each university.
- 10) The doctoral studies will terminate with a single examination procedure outlined below. The procedure will result in one final decision that will be recognized as basis for a double doctoral degree at both Chalmers and XXXX. Each university will issue its own Diploma to award the Doctoral Degree.
- 11) In addition, Chalmers and XXXX will sign an Addendum to this Agreement for Granting Double Doctoral Degrees. Such an Addendum includes all details specially designed for the doctoral candidate enrolled in the double doctoral degree programme.

## Single Procedure for Examination<sup>1</sup>

The thesis examination will consist of two stages; a closed thesis review and an open thesis defence. The stages will be divided up so that one is conducted at each institution. The procedures for each stage are as follows:

### Closed thesis review

A committee of faculty members will evaluate a draft version of the thesis. The committee may consist of faculty members from Chalmers and XXXX. The thesis must be made available to the committee members at least one month before the non-public review committee meeting. At the meeting the committee members will have the opportunity to pose questions to the doctoral candidate. Immediately following the meeting the committee members must unanimously reach one of the following decisions:

- (a) The draft thesis cannot proceed to a public defence.
- (b) The draft thesis can proceed to a public defence after revisions recommended by the review committee are made by the candidate and the revised thesis is approved by one committee member.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The examination procedure may have to be adjusted to accommodate the principles for each university. It is essential that there is one final examination with one outcome performed at one of the institutions. For Chalmers part it is necessary that it is public. In each case it should be specified where each part of the examination will take place.

(c) The draft thesis can proceed directly to a public defence.

If necessary a public presentation of the thesis may be made at the institution hosting the closed review thesis after the public defence (below).

### Public thesis defence

A final version of the thesis will be printed before the final examination, which will be done in the form of a public defence. The thesis defence will be attended by a committee appointed by the faculties of Chalmers and XXXX. The committee may consist of members from the faculties of either institution, faculty from external academic institutions or representatives from industry with a suitable academic background. An internationally prominent external expert in the area of research of the thesis will act as opponent during the thesis defence. The formal procedure for the thesis defence will be in accordance with the practices of the university hosting the public defence. Immediately following the public defence the committee will decide if the candidate can be awarded a double doctoral degree.

XXXX, XXXX	Gothenburg, Sweden	
Date:	Date:	
Professor XXXX President of XXXX	Professor Karin Markides President of Chalmers	
Professor XXXX Vice President of XXXX	Professor Alf-Erik Almstedt Vice President of Chalmers for Doctoral Studies	

# Addendum to the Agreement for Granting Double Doctoral Degrees

between

# **Chalmers University of Technology (Chalmers)**

and

#### XXXX

The parties have agreed to implement a Double Doctoral Degree Programme between Chalmers University of Technology and XXXX.

### Aim of Addendum

The aim of the addendum is to specify the terms for the agreement towards Double Doctoral Degrees between Chalmers and XXXX as regulated by the framework Agreement.

### **Clauses of Addendum**

- 1) The specific area of research that is covered by the present agreement is within XXXX at XXXX and XXXX at Chalmers.
- 2) The doctoral candidate for whom this particular addendum applies is XXXX, of XXXX nationality and born on XXXX, herein referred to as the doctoral candidate.
- 3) The doctoral candidate's thesis Directors will be Professor XXXX at XXXX and XXXX at Chalmers.
- 4) The doctoral candidate started his/her doctoral programme, under the joint responsibility of both institutions, on XXXX and the provisional duration of the doctoral programme is X years. An extension of this period may be requested for exceptional reasons, upon favourable advice from both institutions and from both thesis directors. The request for extension should be submitted at least 6 months before the end of the thesis.
- 5) The preliminary title of the doctoral candidate's research project is: "XXXX".
- 6) The doctoral candidate will stay for alternate periods both at XXXX and Chalmers. The time spent in one institution will not be less than 30% of the total duration of the studies.
- 7) The doctoral candidate must comply with the rules and regulations from both institutions regarding services given at the hosting department as well as publishing. In special cases, the doctoral candidate may be exempted from departmental service.

However, participation in teaching activities is considered an excellent ground for pedagogical development of the doctoral candidate.

- 8) The final oral dissertation will take place at XXXX. The dissertation will be in English.
- 9) The present addendum is part of the Agreement for Granting Double Doctoral Degrees between Chalmers and XXXX and can be terminated by mutual agreement from both institutions.

XXXX, XXXX	Gothenburg, Sweden
Date:	Date:
Professor XXXX Vice President of XXXX XXXX	Professor Alf-Erik Almstedt Vice President for Doctoral Studies Chalmers University of Technology
Professor XXXX Thesis supervisor XXXX	Professor Bengt Nilsson Thesis supervisor Chalmers University of Technology

Mr./Ms. XXXX
Doctoral Candidate

Chalmers University of Technology

XXXX and