

## **RULES FOR THE COMPOSITION OF THE JURY OF THE THIS, DS COMPLEXITE DU VIVANT**

In addition to the ones coming from the institutions, there are specific instructions for the DS, which all doctoral students must follow, regardless of their institutional origin (Sorbonne University: SU or Paris Sciences Lettres: PSL)

All the rules to be followed by all the doctoral students of the DS, regrouping the rules of the institutions and those of the DS and in conformity with the rules of the modified decree of 25 May 2016 modified, are the following:

### **The two reviewers:**

- Must be external to the Doctoral School, the laboratory and the doctoral student's institution (SU or PSL).
- Must not have been involved in the doctoral students work.
- Must not have been a member of the doctoral student's monitoring committee (CST).
- May belong to foreign higher education or research institutions or other foreign organisations.
- Must hold an HDR or, for rapporteurs working abroad, be a principal investigator and have supervised doctoral students.
- Must not have collaborated with the doctoral student.

### **The composition of the jury:**

- The number of jury members must be between 4 and 8.
- At least one of the two reviewers must be part of the jury.
- At least half of the jury must be composed of French or foreign personalities, not affiliated to the Doctoral School and to the doctoral student's enrolment institution (SU or PSL), chosen for their scientific competence.
- At least half of the jury must be composed of professors or equivalent staff (directeur de recherche CNRS or INSERM for instance).
- The composition of the jury must take into account gender issues (= there must be at least one woman and one man).
- The thesis director must be part of the jury (and is therefore counted as an internal member in the overall composition of the jury), but does not take part in the final decision.
- The jury must include a representative of the doctoral student's institution (SU or PSL). This representative, who cannot be the thesis director, must be a teacher-researcher or researcher from the institution (i.e. attached to an institutional research structure), holding a habilitation to direct research or an equivalence. He/she must not belong to the doctoral student's research team or unit.

- The jury must not contain more than one member of the doctoral student monitoring committee (CST). This member cannot be one of the reviewers.

- The members of the jury designate a president from among themselves, who must be a professor or equivalent. The thesis director shall not be the president. The president can be any member of the jury with a rank A status (professor or research director), excluding the thesis director. It is better to have as a president someone who is on site for the defense and not on visioconference as the president has to sign the originals of the defense documents for them to be validated by the administration.

**Guest members:**

A maximum of two persons may participate in the defense as guest members. An invited member attends the defense and contributes to the scientific discussion with the PhD student but he/she is not considered as a member of the jury per se and he/she does not sign any document related to the defense. The names of the invited members may appear on the title page of the doctoral student's manuscript.

**Special case of international co-supervision:**

The choice of reviewers and the composition of the jury must follow the provisions set out in the cotutelle agreement.