**Mentoring Agreement for a doctoral project**

For the doctoral project within the CLINT Integrated Research Training Group (CLINTiRTG) in cooperation with the Graduate School “Advanced Materials and Processes” (GS AMP) the following parties commit to a Mentoring Agreement:

Doctoral candidate: **(Name, Affiliation, email)**

and

Supervisor (Mentor): **(Name, Affiliation, email)**

Co-Mentor: **(Name, Affiliation, email)**

CLINT Research Area: **A (SCALMS), B (Interface-enhanced SILP), C (Advanced SCILL), M (Modelling and simulation)**

Working title of the doctoral thesis:

**Thesis Working Title**

Begin of thesis: (**dd.mm.yyyy**) Planned submission of thesis: (**dd.mm.yyyy**)

The scientific education of the doctoral candidate occurs by the events of the CLINT Integrated Research Training Group and other events organised by the Graduate School „Advanced Materials and Processes“ or the Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg. The doctoral candidate and the mentors commit to comply with the following principles:

* Basis for mentoring is a schedule and work plan, established by the doctoral candidate and the mentor in a Research and Development Plan and a Training Diary. The doctoral candidate commits to develop the Research and Development Plan for the advancement of her or his skills in the following aspects: scientific work, academic skills, leadership & organisation, entrepreneurship, and finally communication & social interaction. The Research and Development Plan including the Training Diary is provided as an Annex to the current Mentoring Agreement.
* The Training Diary and the Research and Development Plan summarise the achieved training milestones and planned activities of the candidate over the yearly reporting periods and should be made available to the CLINT coordinator upon his or her request.
* The doctoral candidate has to register at DocDaten ([www.docdaten.fau.de](http://www.docdaten.fau.de)), the official online database for doctoral candidates at the FAU (administered by the FAU graduate centre, <https://www.fau.eu/graduate-centre/>)
* The doctoral candidate takes personal responsibility for the intellectual planning, timely execution, trouble shooting, and critical evaluation of the research project(s) commensurate with the goal to become an independent scientist.
* The doctoral candidate commits to fulfil the training requirements of the CLINTiRTG, specified in the research and development plan and the training diary, including, in particular, the weekly CLINT seminars, lectures, colloquia, workshops and symposia.
* The doctoral candidate commits to inform the mentoring team on her or his work progress on a regular basis, at least every six months but preferably more regularly. This can be an oral presentation, written work reports, publications or personal communication.
* The doctoral candidate commits to FAIR principles (**F**indable, **A**ccessible, **I**nteroperable, and **R**e-usable) of data management, and will handle the data following established procedures in CLINT and in the research group of the mentor.
* The doctoral candidate commits to integrate herself/himself into the research group of the mentor and assume duties and responsibilities at an adequate level.
* The mentoring team commits to comment on the progress of the doctoral thesis on a regular basis and provide concrete feedback.
* The mentor commits to provide a workplace and sufficient equipment to complete the doctoral thesis.
* The mentor commits to integrate the doctoral researcher in his/her research group
* The mentor commits to support the doctoral candidate in the completion the CLINTiRTG training program including all academic, networking and soft skills requirements.
* The mentor will encourage and expedite the timely publication of results.
* The commitment of mentoring is valid for the entire time of membership in the CLINTiRTG independent of funding source of the doctoral project.
* The compliance with the Mentoring Agreement and the Research and Development Plan (Annex) should be evaluated once per year by the Mentoring Team and the candidate. Both sides have to make sure that all of the completion requirements are fulfilled over the entire doctoral qualification.
* Both parties commit to the principles of safeguarding good scientific practice following the FAU developed guidelines (based upon the specifications by the DFG) (see <https://www.fau.eu/graduate-centre/doctoral-degrees/good-academic-practice/>).
* The CLINT Integrated Research Training Group adopts the rules of compatibility of family life and scientific work at the FAU.
* Conflict situations or potential scientific misconduct should first be discussed with the mentoring team and/or the CLINT Coordinator. If deeper issues arise, the CLINTiRTG PI will take the responsibility of the ombudsperson. If the issues persist, the CLINT Coordinator will involve the relevant established structures of FAU including the Conflict commission and the Commission for scientific misconduct.

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Doctoral candidate Mentor Co-Mentor