# Resolution of the Scientific Council of the Institute of Plant Genetics, Polish Academy of Sciences of February 21, 2013 on the regulations of the detailed mode of conducting activities in the doctoral and postdoctoral degree conferral procedures and in the procedure for conferring the title of professor at the Institute of Plant Genetics, Polish Academy of Sciences

These Regulations have been prepared based on the following legal acts:

The Act of 14 March 2003 on academic degrees and academic title, and on degrees and title in the field of art (Journal of Laws No. 65, item 595, as amended).

The Act of 18 March 2011 amending the Act on Higher Education, the Act on Academic Degrees and the Scientific Title and on the Degrees and Titles in the Field of Art and on Certain Other Acts (Journal of Laws No. 84, item. 455).

Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 1 September 2011 on the criteria for assessing the achievements of the person applying for conferral the postdoctoral degree (Journal of Laws No. 196, item 1165).

Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 22 September 2011 on the detailed mode and conditions for conducting activities in doctoral and postdoctoral (habilitation) conferral procedures and in procedures for conferring the title of professor (Journal of Laws No. 204, item 1200).

Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of August 8, 2011 on the areas of knowledge, science and art, and scientific and artistic disciplines (Journal of Laws No. 179, item 1065).

# Section I

## Detailed mode of conducting activities in the doctoral degree conferral procedure

## A. General provisions

1. In the doctoral degree conferral procedure, the Scientific Council of the Institute of Plant Genetics PAS performs the following activities:

- a) commencement of a doctoral degree conferral procedure,
- b) appointment of a PhD Committee,
- c) appointment of a supervisor or supervisor, co-supervisor and auxiliary supervisor,
- d) appointment of exam committees to conduct exams in the basic discipline, additional discipline and modern foreign language,
- e) appointment of reviewers,
- f) public defense of the doctoral dissertation,

- g) conferment of the doctoral degree,
- h) possible distinction of the doctoral dissertation.

### **B.** Commencement of a doctoral degree conferral procedure

- 1. A person applying for conferring of a doctoral degree, hereinafter referred to as "the candidate", submits to the Director of the Institute a written application to commence a doctoral degree conferral procedure together with a set of required documents, including:
  - a) the original document confirming the possession of a master's degree (MSc)
  - b) proposed subject and the concept of the doctoral dissertation, with an indication of the area of knowledge, domain and discipline in the field of which the doctoral degree conferral procedure should be commenced, the name of the proposed supervisor as well as additional discipline,
  - c) a list of scientific papers and information on outreach activities,
  - d) information about the PhD course, if the candidate has previously applied for the conferral of a doctoral degree in the same discipline.
- 2. Together with the application for the commencement of the doctoral degree conferring procedure, the candidate may submit:
  - a) a certificate confirming good command of a modern foreign language, entitling to the exemption from a foreign language doctoral exam;
  - b) an application for the consent to submit a doctoral dissertation in a language other than Polish.
- 3. The Director of the Institute submits the application together with the documentation to the Committee for Researchers' Development of the Scientific Council for the initial assessment.
- 4. The Committee for Researchers' Development, after reading the documentation submitted by the candidate and in the case of a positive opinion, submits to the Institute's Scientific Council a draft resolution on the commencement of the doctoral degree conferral procedure.
- 5. After the commencement of the doctoral degree conferral procedure, the Institute's Scientific Council appoints a supervisor in order to provide scientific supervision for the candidate. The Council may also appoint an auxiliary supervisor.

The Institute's Scientific Council, after hearing a short presentation of the candidate regarding the main assumptions of the doctoral dissertation and its state of advancement and after the discussion, adopts - in a secret ballot - a resolution on the commencement of a doctoral degree conferral procedure and acceptance of the proposed supervisor and auxiliary supervisor or refuses to commence the procedure.

6. The Scientific Council of the IPG PAS defines the maximum number of candidates to be supervised at the same time: the supervisor - three candidates or the auxiliary supervisor- two candidates.

## C. Appointment of a PhD Committee

- 1. The Scientific Council of the IPG PAS provides the appropriate PhD Committee the power to adopt resolutions regarding the acceptance of the doctoral dissertation, admission to the public defense and acceptance of the public defense of the doctoral dissertation. The Director of the IPG PAS presents to the Council, in the form of a draft resolution, a proposal of the composition of a PhD Committee, at least seven Council members representing a given scientific discipline, indicating the candidate for the chair.
- 2. The PhD Committee consists of at least seven people, elected in a secret ballot from among the members of the Institute's Scientific Council with the title of professor or postdoctoral degree (dr hab.) in the field of a basic discipline corresponding to the subject of the doctoral dissertation or related scientific discipline. Additional members of the PhD Committee are the doctoral dissertation reviewers and the supervisor or supervisor and co-supervisor.
- 3. The Institute's Scientific Council, in a secret ballot, elects the chair of a PhD Committee, who prepares and supervises the course of activities related to the conduct of the doctoral degree conferral procedure.

- 4. All resolutions and decisions of the PhD Committee shall be taken by a secret ballot, by an absolute majority of votes, in the presence of at least half of the total number of members of the Committee.
- 5. The supervisor of the doctoral dissertation may be a person holding the academic title of professor or the postdoctoral degree (dr hab.) in the field of a given scientific discipline.

### D. Appointment of the PhD Committees conducting exams

- 1. The Institute's Scientific Council appoints the examination committees to conduct doctoral exams in the scope of:
  - a) the basic discipline corresponding to the subject of the doctoral dissertation
  - b) additional discipline
  - c) modern foreign language, if the candidate does not have a certificate confirming good command of a foreign language.
- 2. The examination committee for the basic discipline shall consist of at least four persons holding the title of professor or postdoctoral degree (dr hab.) in the field of science and discipline corresponding to the subject of the doctoral dissertation, including a supervisor or a supervisor and a co-supervisor.
- 3. The examination committee in the additional discipline shall consist of at least three persons, including at least one holding the title of professor or postdoctoral degree (dr hab.) in the field of the discipline of science corresponding to this exam.
- 4. The committee for exam in a modern foreign language shall consist of at least three people, including one who teaches that language at the University. The candidate who provided the certificate confirming the command of a modern foreign language is exempted from the PhD exam in the field of a modern foreign language.
- 5. All three examination committees are chaired by the chair of the PhD Committee.
- 6. The dates of exams are set up by the chair of the PhD Committee in consultation with the committees.
- 7. To the PhD Committee and the PhD examinations committees the Institute's Scientific Council may appoint an auxiliary supervisor without the right to vote.
- 8. Each exam is followed by a report containing: questions asked, the note given for each answer and the final note, which is defined as: insufficient, sufficient, good and very good. The report is signed by all members of the examination committee.
- 9. The doctoral exams must be passed before the adoption of the doctoral dissertation by the Scientific Council of the IPG PAS.
- 10. If the candidate fails to pass one of the doctoral exams, the Institute's Scientific Council, upon the candidate's request, may agree to re-pass it, but not earlier than three months after the first exam and no more than once.

## E. Doctoral dissertation

- 1. The candidate submits a doctoral dissertation with a summary, in the paper and electronic form, to the supervisor.
- 2. The doctoral dissertation should constitute an original solution to the scientific problem and should demonstrate the general theoretical knowledge of the candidate in a given scientific discipline and the ability to conduct scientific work independently.
- 3. The doctoral dissertation may take the form of a manuscript of a book, a published book or a coherent set of chapters in published books, a thematically coherent set of articles published or accepted for publication in scientific journals.
- 4. The doctoral dissertation prepared in the form of a set of articles must consist of at least two original scientific works published or accepted for publication in journals listed in the Journal Citation Reports

with a total impact factor of at least 2.5; in two original scientific papers published or accepted for publication, the candidate must be the first author.

- 5. A doctoral dissertation prepared in the form of a set of articles should include:
  - a) introduction,
  - b) discussion of the results obtained separately for each of the works included in the set, including the participation of the candidate (doctoral student) in each of these works
  - c) a summary of the results obtained and conclusions,
  - d) bibliography,
  - e) copies of the works constituting the set.
- 6. When the doctoral dissertation consists of two or multi-author articles, the candidate submits the statements of all co-authors about their contribution to the creation of each such article. The candidate is exempt from the obligation to submit a statement in the case of the death of a co-author, declaring him or her dead or permanent loss of health, making it impossible to obtain the required statement.
- 7. The supervisor in the doctoral degree conferral procedure may be a person holding the title of professor or postdoctoral degree (dr hab.) in the field of a given or related scientific discipline.
- 8. In the doctoral degree conferral procedure conducted as part of international cooperation, a cosupervisor may be appointed.
- 9. The auxiliary supervisor in the doctoral degree conferral procedure, who plays an important auxiliary role in the supervision of a doctoral student, especially in the process of planning and implementation of research and analysis of results, may be a person holding a doctoral degree (PhD) in a given or related scientific discipline and not entitled to fulfilling the function of a supervisor in the doctoral degree conferral procedure.
- 10. The supervisor presents the doctoral dissertation to the chair of the PhD Committee together with her/his written opinion, both in the paper and electronic form.
- 11. In the doctoral degree conferral procedure, the Scientific Council of the IPG PAS shall appoint at least two reviewers from among those employed in a higher education institution or organizational unit differ than the one being the employer of a person applying for the doctoral degree. A reviewer cannot be a member of the Institute's Scientific Council conducting the procedure.
- 12. A reviewer in the doctoral degree conferral procedure can not be a person in relation to whom there are justified doubts as to its impartiality.
- 13. The review shall be presented to the chair of the PhD Committee in a paper and electronic form, no later than within two months from the date of receipt of the doctoral dissertation for review. In justified cases, the PhD Committee may extend the deadline for submission of the review by one month.
- 14. The review contains a detailed and justified assessment of the doctoral thesis compliance with the conditions set out in Article 13 point 1 of the Act of 14 March 2003 on academic degrees and academic title, and on degrees and title in the field of art (Journal of Laws No. 65, item 595, as amended).
- 15. The review may contain proposals for completing or correcting the doctoral dissertation, which the Scientific Council of the IPG PAS provides to the candidate and supervisor. The candidate submits completed or corrected doctoral dissertation, to the Scientific Council of the IPG PAS. The council asks the same reviewers to re-assess the dissertation. The reviewers present to the Scientific Council of the IPG PAS a review of the completed or corrected doctoral dissertation within one month from the date of receipt of the request for its preparation.
- 16. Immediately after receiving the last review, the Scientific Council of the IPG PAS shall provide all opinions to the Central Committee for Degrees and Titles, hereinafter referred to as the "Central Committee", in the electronic form.

On behalf of the Institute's Scientific Council, these activities are performed by the chair of the PhD Committee (or an authorized administration employee).

The chair of the PhD Committee notifies the candidate and the supervisor (possibly also the cosupervisor and auxiliary supervisor) of the arrival of the reviews and sends the reviews to them in the electronic form.

The chair of the PhD Committee sends the reviews (in the electronic form) also to the members of the PhD Committee, before the meeting of the Committee at which the doctoral dissertation is to be accepted.

- 17. The PhD Committee, after having read the doctoral thesis, the opinions of the supervisor or supervisor and co-supervisor, and the reviews, adopts a resolution regarding the acceptance of the doctoral dissertation and admitting it to the public defense, hereinafter referred to as "defense". If the doctoral dissertation is not accepted and it is not allowed to be defended, the PhD Committee presents the case with justification to the Institute's Scientific Council.
- 18. The PhD Committee, after the acceptance of the dissertation and admitting the candidate for the defense, informs (at least 10 days before the date of defense) on the date and place of its execution, other organizational units entitled to confer the doctoral degree in a given academic discipline and posts the advertisement at the IPG PAS. The notifications also contain information about the place where the doctoral dissertation was submitted in order to enable interested parties to become acquainted with it. The summary of the doctoral dissertation, including reviews, is published on the website of the IPG PAS.

#### F. Defense of the doctoral dissertation

1. The defense takes place at an open meeting of the PhD Committee with the participation of reviewers, a supervisor, an auxiliary supervisor or a supervisor and co-supervisor.

The course of a public defense:

- a) opening of a public meeting of the PhD Committee by the chair of the Committee,
- b) presentation of the candidate by the supervisor,
- c) self-presentation of the candidate (ca. 20 min.),
- d) presentation of the reviews, in absence of one reviewer, the chair of the PhD Committee orders to read his/her review,
- e) an open discussion in which all people present (including the audience) at the meeting may participate,
- f) candidate's talk in which s/he refers to the reviews and questions asked during the discussion.
- 2. After the defense of the doctoral dissertation, the PhD Committee holds a secret session, at which it adopts a resolution regarding the acceptance of the public defense of the doctoral dissertation and prepares a draft resolution regarding the conferring of the doctoral degree. Resolutions are adopted in a secret ballot, by an absolute majority of votes of the members of the Committee.
- 3. When both reviewers apply for the distinction of the doctoral dissertation, which is supported with substantive justification in the text of both reviews, the PhD Committee considers the application in a secret ballot and in the case of a positive opinion, applies to the Institute's Scientific Council for the distinction of the doctoral dissertation.
- 4. After making the decision, the Chair of the PhD Committee announces it to the candidate and participants of the public defense.
- 5. At the next meeting of the Institute's Scientific Council, after hearing a draft resolution on conferring the candidate a PhD degree, prepared by the PhD Committee, the Council shall vote by secret ballot, with the majority of votes in the presence of at least a half of the total number of persons eligible to vote, a resolution on conferring a doctoral degree.
- 6. The resolution of the Institute's Scientific Council is legally binding upon its adoption.

- 7. A resolution on the distinction of a doctoral dissertation is taken, at the request of the PhD Committee, by the Institute's Scientific Council in a secret ballot by an absolute majority of votes, with at least half of the total number of those eligible to vote.
- 8. A person who has been conferred a doctoral degree receives a diploma according to the template set out in the relevant regulations.

# Section II

# Detailed mode of conducting activities in the postdoctoral degree conferral procedure

#### A. Commencement of a postdoctoral degree conferral procedure and appointment of the Committee

1. A person applying for conferring the postdoctoral degree (dr hab.), hereinafter referred to as "habilitation candidate", shall submit to the Central Committee (<u>www.ck.gov.pl</u>) an application for the commencement of the postdoctoral degree conferral procedure, in which the selected organizational unit authorized to confer the postdoctoral degree is indicated.

Before submitting the application to the Central Committee for the commencement of the postdoctoral degree conferral procedure, the candidate presents at the seminar of the IPG PAS the main scientific achievements obtained during the habilitation.

- 2. If the Scientific Council of the IPG PAS was indicated in the candidate's application to conduct the procedure, the chair of the Council, after receiving from the Central Committee full documentation related to the conferral of a postdoctoral degree, passes it to the Committee for Researchers' Development of the Institute's Scientific Council for the initial assessment.
- 3. Criteria of the Institute's Scientific Council regarding scientific achievements of the candidate for the postdoctoral degree (dr hab.) which fulfilment is recommended to commence the procedure:
  - a) the achievement completely or substantially published or a thematically coherent set of scientific articles published in the IF journals that constitutes the achievement,
  - b) at least 10 different publications (after PhD) published in national and international journals from the list of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education,
  - c) total impact factor of publications (after PhD) = 15,
  - *d)* number of citations = 50,
  - e) Hirsch index = 5.

Meeting these criteria is neither a necessary nor sufficient condition to commence the procedure, and each case is considered individually.

- 4. The Committee for Researchers' Development after getting to know the candidate's application and in case of a positive opinion, submits to the Chair of the Institute's Scientific Council a draft resolution on commencement of the postdoctoral degree (dr hab.) conferral procedure.
- 5. The Chair of the Institute's Scientific Council:
  - a) addresses the Council the issue to conduct the postdoctoral degree procedure; the Council decides about the commencement by adopting a resolution,
  - b) the Council designates, by adopting a resolution, three members with internationally recognized scientific reputation, including a secretary and a reviewer. A member of the habilitation committee may be a person holding the title of professor or a postdoctoral degree in the field of a given or related scientific discipline.

Resolutions referred to in point 1 a, b, are taken by an absolute majority of votes in the presence of at least half of the total number of persons entitled to vote. Members of the Institute's Scientific Council

with the title of professor and the postdoctoral degree are entitled to vote. The Council informs the Central Committee about the result of the voting.

6. If the Scientific Council of the IPG PAS, indicated by the Central Committee, does not agree to conduct the postdoctoral degree (habilitation) procedure, the Chair of the Council shall inform the Central Committee without delay.

### B. Postdoctoral degree (dr hab.) conferral procedure

1. The postdoctoral (habilitation) committee, appointed by the Central Committee, has the right to demand from the candidate, through the chair of the Scientific Council of the IPG PAS, to present at the given time the works constituting "the achievement" or "scientific achievements".

The works should be delivered in the necessary (indicated in the letter of the chair or secretary of the habilitation committee) number of copies. If the habilitation candidate fails to submit the requested work within the given period, the chair or the secretary will notify the candidate of the suspension of the procedure as long as the request is met.

- 2. The postdoctoral (habilitation) committee has also the right to ask, through the chair of the Institute's Scientific Council, the candidate for a postdoctoral degree to provide the doctoral dissertation.
- 3. The postdoctoral (habilitation) committee works at the Institute of Plant Genetics, Polish Academy of Sciences.
- 4. The chair of the committee, who may contact the committee members electronically, decides about the organization and mode of work of the postdoctoral (habilitation) committee. The secretary of the committee provides technical support for committee meetings.
- 5. The postdoctoral (habilitation) committee cannot adopt resolutions in the composition of less than six persons, however, the presence of the chair and the secretary is necessary to adopt legally binding resolutions.
- 6. The postdoctoral (habilitation) committee may work in the form of videoconferences, unless the candidate submits a request for a secret ballot.
- 7. In special cases, justified by doubts of the postdoctoral (habilitation) committee regarding the documentation of scientific achievements, the committee may ask the candidate for a talk about his achievements and scientific plans.
- 8. The postdoctoral (habilitation) committee decides by voting on the working in the form of videoconferences or on the conducting of a conversation with the candidate. Voting takes place via electronic communication (in particular via e-mail).
- 9. In the case of a conversation with a candidate, the postdoctoral (habilitation) committee informs the candidate about the place, date and subject of the interview at least 14 days before the scheduled date of the interview.
- 10. The chair of the postdoctoral (habilitation) committee is obliged to familiarize all committee members with materials provided by the candidate. The chair also makes available to the members of the committee opinions prepared by the reviewers. Reviews are available to other reviewers only when all reviewers prepare them.
- 11. Within a maximum of six weeks from the day of appointing the postdoctoral (habilitation) committee, the reviewers assess whether the applicant's scientific achievements meet the criteria set out in art. 16 of the Act of 14 March 2003 on academic degrees and academic title as well as on degrees and title in the field of art and prepare reviews.
- 12. After presenting the review and becoming acquainted with the candidate's self-presentation, members of the postdoctoral (habilitation) committee in an open vote shall adopt a resolution containing an opinion on conferring or refusing to confer the postdoctoral degree. This vote, at the request of the person applying for the post-doctoral degree, is carried out by secret ballot.
- 13. The postdoctoral (habilitation) committee, within 21 days from the date of reviews arrival, submits to the Institute's Scientific Council a resolution containing the opinion on conferring or refusal to confer the postdoctoral degree with justification and full documentation of the procedure, including reviews of

scientific achievements. On the basis of this opinion, the Scientific Council of the IPG PAS, within one month, adopts a resolution on conferring or refusing to confer the postdoctoral degree (dr hab.) The resolution is adopted in a secret ballot and is made by an absolute majority of votes in the presence of at least half of the total number of persons entitled to vote.

- 14. A resolution on conferring the postdoctoral degree (dr hab.) becomes legally binding upon its adoption.
- 15. After completing the postdoctoral procedure, the chair of the Institute's Scientific Council passes to the Central Committee a resolution on conferring or refusal to confer the postdoctoral degree with information on the composition of the postdoctoral (habilitation) committee and reviews submitted in the habilitation procedure (in the electronic form, including original signatures on the abovementioned documents) in the Public Information Bulletin on the website of the Central Committee, within 30 days from the date of the adoption of the resolution.
- 16. The discrepancy between the opinions of the postdoctoral (habilitation) committee and the resolutions of the Institute's Scientific Council, after the explanatory procedure conducted by the Central Committee, may constitute a prerequisite for the activities of the Central Committee.
- 17. A person who has been awarded the postdoctoral degree (dr hab.) receives a diploma according to the template set out in the relevant regulations.

#### C. Appeal against the resolution on refusal to confer the postdoctoral degree (dr hab.)

1. If the resolutions of the Institute's Scientific Council on conferring the postdoctoral degree (dr hab.) are refusal, the applicant may submit an appeal to the Central Committee. It must be done via the Institute's Scientific Council within one month from the date of delivery of the resolution along with the justification. The Institute's Scientific Council submits an appeal to the Central Committee together with its opinion and case files within three months from the date of submission of the appeal.

# Section III

#### Detailed mode of conducting activities in the procedure for conferring the title of professor

1. Criteria of the Institute's Scientific Council regarding scientific achievements of a candidate applying for the conferring the title of professor, which fulfillment is recommended when commencing the procedure for conferring the title of professor:

- a) number of articles (after habilitation) published in journals with impact factor and other national and international journals from the Ministry of Science and Higher Education list at least 15;
- b) total impact factor of publications (after habilitation) = 20,
- c) number of citations = 100,
- d) Hirsch index = 7.

Meeting these criteria is neither a necessary nor sufficient condition to start the procedure, and each case is considered individually.

- 1. The title of professor may be conferred to a person, hereinafter referred to as "the candidate", who obtained the postdoctoral degree (dr hab.) and:
  - a) has scientific achievements far exceeding the requirements set in the postdoctoral (dr hab.) procedure,
  - b) has experience in managing research teams implementing projects financed through national and international competitions,
  - c) has achievements in scientific supervision at least 3 times was a supervisor and co-supervisor in the doctoral degree conferring procedure and at least once played the role of supervisor as well as at least twice was a reviewer in the doctoral or postdoctoral degree conferral procedure,
  - d) did the scientific interships and conducted research in scientific institutions, including foreign ones.

- 2. The procedure for conferring the title of professor is carried out by the Scientific Council of the IPG PAS at the request of the person applying for the title of professor.
- 3. To the application for conferring the title of professor is presented by the candidate to the Director of the IPG PAS.
- 4. To the application for conferring the title of professor, the candidate attaches:
  - 1) The originals or certified by the IPG PAS HR office copies of documents confirming the possession of the doctoral (PhD) and postdoctoral degrees (dr hab.);
  - 2) Self-presentation containing:
    - a) scientific achievements, in Polish and English,
    - b) information on achievements in supervision and education of young academic staff, including completed PhD procedures in which the candidate was the supervisor or auxiliary supervisor, in Polish and English,
    - c) information on outreach activities, in Polish and English,
  - 3) A report on scientific achievements after obtaining the postdoctoral degree (dr hab.), with the indication of those which are considered the most important, in Polish and English.

The application (with attachments) for the conferring the title of professor is submitted by the candidate in the paper and electronic form in the HR office of the IPG PAS.

The materials (the application with attachments) are initially assessed by the Committee for Researchers' Development of the Institute's Scientific Council, which recommends (or does not) the Council to commence the procedure for the conferral of the title of professor.

- 2. The Institute's Scientific Council, after getting acquainted with the opinion of the Committee for the Researchers' Development, adopts (or not) a resolution to commence the procedure of conferring the title of professor and appoints, from among its members holding the title of professor, the Committee for the conferring the title of professor procedure. This Committee, composed of five persons, prepares draft resolutions regarding activities in the procedure of conferring the title of professor.
- 3. If the procedure is commenced, the Scientific Council of the IPG PAS adopts a resolution regarding the appointment of candidates for reviewers.
- 4. The Institute's Scientific Council provides the Central Committee a list of at least 10 candidates for reviewers. These candidates must be employed in a higher education institution or an organizational unit different than the one where the applicant is employed and cannot be the members of the Institute's Scientific Council.
- 5. A reviewer in the procedure of conferring the title of professor may be a person holding the title of professor in the field of a given or related field of science or a person holding a doctoral degree employed at least 5 years in a foreign university of research institution as a professor, with at least 5 years of experience in team management, experience in PhD supervision (at least 2 completed procedures) and considerable scientific achievements.
- 6. The Institute's Scientific Council provides, in the electronic form, the Central Committee a resolution on commencing the procedure for conferring the title of professor together with the list of candidates for reviewers.
- 7. The Director of the IPG PAS, after receiving from the Central Committee a notification of the appointment of 5 reviewers, immediately requests them to prepare within not more than two months, reviews containing a detailed and justified assessment of whether the person applying for the title of professor meets the requirements set out in Article. 26 of the Act of 14 March 2003 on academic degrees and academic title as well as on degrees and title in the field of art. The reviewers are also requested to present their opinion for or against conferring the title of professor.
- 8. The Committee for the procedure of conferring the title of professor reads in detail the reviews and prepares a summary assessment and a draft resolution for the Scientific Council of the IPG PAS on supporting the application for conferring the title of professor.

- 9. The Institute's Scientific Council, after getting to know the candidate's achievements, reviewers' opinions, the Committee's opinions adopts a resolution regarding support or refusal to support the application for conferring the title of professor and sends it together with all the procedure's files within 1 month of adopting a resolution to the Central Committee.
- 10. Reviewers may participate, upon the invitation of the Council's Chair, in the meeting of the Institute's Scientific Council during which the issue of supporting the application for conferring the title of professor is to be considered.
- 11. A resolution on supporting the application for conferring the title of professor is announced on the website of the IPG PAS and the Central Committee (http://www.ck.gov.pl/).

# Section IV

# Final provisions

- 1. The costs of conducting the doctoral and postdoctoral conferral procedures as well as the procedure for conferring the title of professor (for candidates not employed at the IPG PAS) shall be covered by the Institution employing the candidate for a doctoral or postdoctoral degree and the title of professor or directly the candidate under the terms of the agreement concluded with the IPG PAS in accordance with the relevant regulations.
- 2. Until 30 September 2013, at the request of the person applying for conferring the doctoral and postdoctoral degree or professor title procedures may be conducted on the basis of existing regulations or on the basis of the Act of 18 March 2011 on academic degrees and academic title, and on degrees and title in the field of art (Journal od Laws No.84, item 455).

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