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**Title** **of the original solution to a scientific problem constituting the subject of a doctoral dissertation**

(Collection of thematically cohesive articles and studies)

Supervisor(s): ………………………………………

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Auxiliary supervisor (optional): ………………………….

Dissertation received on: …………………………………..

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**Part I. Description of the original solution to a scientific problem constituting the subject of a doctoral dissertation in the form of a collection of thematically cohesive articles and studies[[1]](#footnote-1)**

1. Introduction: a brief justification of the choice of the research subject and the research problem, an indication of the research gap, or a graphic diagram of the doctoral dissertation showing the relationship between the studied research area, the research subject, the research objective, or, optionally, the hypotheses, along with the indication of the research methods, the temporal and spatial scope of the dissertation; reference to the articles and papers of the candidate who applies for a doctoral degree, indicated in point 10, and an indication of the substantive involvement of the candidate if the works were created by multiple authors. One to two pages.[[2]](#footnote-2)
2. Description of the research subject and problem: description of the dissertation’s subject and the indication of the research problem by reference to the source literature. A reference to key terms and concepts that further explain the dissertation’s subject and relate to the identified research problem. An indication of the leading discipline/subdisciplines in which the considerations are embedded, a demonstration of the relationship between the chosen discipline, the research subject, and the research problem. The use of footnotes indicating the literature used is required. Three to four pages.
3. Justification of the addressed research problem: rationale for the research on a topic and why the identified research problem is important by e.g. a very clear and unambiguous indication of the research gap and the reason for the originality of the conducted research. Three to five pages.
4. Research goals (theoretical, cognitive, methodical, or implementational; alternatively, main objective and specific objectives): an explanation of what one wanted to achieve and prove through the conducted research; one must verbalize the intentions indicated in point 3. One to three pages.
5. Theoretical and conceptual foundations of the study and research hypotheses/questions: a review of the theoretical foundations of the study that form the basis of the candidate’s hypotheses or research questions; this involves a demonstration of how the hypotheses/questions emerge from the source literature, previously conducted research, or observations of economic reality and empirical data. Five to eight pages.
6. Research methodology and data sources: a description of the adopted research approach, applied methodology, and research tool, an indication of data sources, and the assessment of their quality. Two to three pages.
7. Research results and discussion: a report concerning the obtained research results and a comparison between them and the stated research hypotheses/questions. Seven to 10 pages.
8. Conclusions: a clear and unambiguous emphasis on originality and contribution to science (demonstration of what constitutes an innovative solution to a scientific problem of significant theoretical, methodical, and utilitarian value within the scope of the dissertation’s discipline; this applies to the description of an original solution in the sphere of the application of independent research results in the economic or social sphere, which constitute the subject of a doctoral dissertation), research limitations, and possible future research directions. Three to five pages.
9. Bibliography: includes sources mentioned in points 1–8.
10. A list of articles and studies that constitute a thematically cohesive scientific achievement (bibliographic description pursuant to PUEB requirements).

**Part II. Articles and studies that constitute a doctoral dissertation**

Part II should be divided into chapters, with each one being a separate article, chapter in a monograph, or another study. The chapters’ contents must correspond to the content and arrangement of articles and studies listed in point 10 as forming a thematically cohesive set of articles and studies in the proceedings for the awarding of a doctoral degree. We advise candidates to arrange the articles and studies in the order that corresponds to the logic of the conducted research; they do not have to appear in chronological order. The published articles and studies should be presented in their final form, e.g. printed from the publishing company’s website.

1. Pursuant to Article 187, paragraph 3 of the Act of 20 July 2018 Law on Higher Education and Science (*Journal of Laws* 1668/2018 as amended), a doctoral dissertation may be a written dissertation, including a scientific monograph, a collection of published and thematically related scientific articles, design, construction, technological, implementation, or artistic work, but also an independent and separate part of a collective work.

   When listing works published and unpublished in a collection (apart from published scientific articles), one should assume they may especially include working papers, texts accepted for review, chapters in scientific monographs that have not yet been published, and reports from conducted studies. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. **The indicated number of pages is for reference only.** A page consists of 1800 characters with spaces. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)