## **Template for assessment report**

**Please note:**

**If the committee concludes that the doctoral work should be approved for public defence, the report may be quite brief (2-3 pages). If the committee recommends rejection of the doctoral work, more detailed reasons for the decision is required. If the committee recommends rejection of the doctoral work and the work has not previously been assessed for the degree, the conclusion must also include a recommendation on any resubmission of the work.**

**If the committee recommends minor revisions, the committee should hand in a specific overview on what the candidate must revise rather than an ordinary assessment report. The final report is written after the candidate has handed in the revised version of the thesis.**

**NB! The italicized help texts must be removed prior to handing in the report.**

## 1. Description of the doctoral work

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| Name of candidate |  |
| Title of thesis |  |
| For the degree of |  |

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| *Short description of the format (monograph/collection of articles etc.), type of work (theoretical/empirical/etc.) and extent of work.**Discussion of the academic significance of the work and its key aspects (for example, theoretical framework, hypotheses, material, methodology and findings).* |

2. Assessment of thesis

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| *Discussion of whether the thesis is an independent and comprehensive piece of work of high academic standard with regard to the formulation of research questions, the methodological, theoretical and empirical bases, documentation, treatment of the literature and form of presentation in the thesis. It is especially important to consider whether the material and methods applied are relevant to the issues raised in the thesis, and whether the arguments and conclusions posited are tenable.* *In addition, the assessment committee must consider whether* * *the thesis contributes new knowledge to the discipline and is of an academic standard appropriate for publication as part of the scientific literature in the field.*
* *the candidate demonstrates that they satisfy the minimum requirements to qualify as a researcher through the formulation of research questions, precision and logical stringency, originality, a good command of relevant methods of analysis and reflection on their possibilities and limitations*
* *the candidate demonstrates knowledge of, understanding of and a reflective approach to other research in the field.*

If relevant:*If the doctoral thesis is in the form of a collection of articles, the assessment committee must decide whether the content comprises a coherent entity (cf. Section 3.6 (4) in the guidelines).* If relevant:*If the doctoral work consists of a written component combined with a permanently documented product or a production, the assessment committee must consider whether the works through their content comprise a coherent entity and together meet the requirements for an independent piece of research for the degree of PhD (cf. Section 3.6 (3) in the guidelines).* |

## 3. Conclusion

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| *The conclusion should weigh the strong and weak aspects of the doctoral work and lead to a conclusion on whether the committee finds the work worthy of a public defence.* |

## 4. Signatures

Signatures, names and dates:

## 5. Dissenting opinions (only if relevant)

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| *Any dissenting opinions and individual statements by committee members must be included in the report, with an explanation of the reasons.*  |

Signature, name and date: