

**Agreement regarding the rules of functioning and financing**  
**the International Environmental Doctoral School associated with the Centre for Polar Studies**  
**at the University of Silesia in Katowice**  
**concluded on 20 December 2018**

(uniform text)

Pursuant to the present Agreement:

- 1) University of Silesia, based at Bankowa 12, 40-007 Katowice, NIP 634-019-71-34, REGON 000001347, represented by the President of the University of Silesia, Prof. Andrzej Kowalczyk, PhD,
- 2) Institute of Geophysics Polish Academy of Sciences (IG PAS), based at Księcia Janusza 64, 01-452 Warsaw, entered in the register of the Institutes of the Polish Academy of Sciences under the number RIN-VII-18/98, represented by the Director of IG PAS, Prof. Beata Orlacka-Sikora, PhD,
- 3) Institute of Oceanology Polish Academy of Sciences (IO PAS), based at Powstańców Warszawy 55, 81-712 Sopot, entered in the register of the Institutes of the Polish Academy of Sciences under the number RIN-VII-14/98, represented by the Director of IO PAS, Prof. Jan Marcin Węśławski, PhD,
- 4) Institute of Mathematics Polish Academy of Sciences (IM PAS), based at Śniadeckich 8, 00-656 Warsaw, entered in the register of the Institutes of the Polish Academy of Sciences under the number RIN-VII-19/98, represented by the Director of IM PAS, Prof. Łukasz Stettner, PhD,

hereinafter referred to as the Partners, form the International Environmental Doctoral School associated with the Centre for Polar Studies at the University of Silesia in Katowice, hereinafter referred to as IEDS. The Partners state what follows:

1. IEDS is run within the scope of academic qualifications and entitlements regarding the award of academic degrees held by the Partners.
2. Doctoral students studying at IEDS are considered to be doctoral students of the University of Silesia in Katowice, which is the institution responsible for the Doctoral School, but complete parts of the educational programme at Partner institutions.
3. A doctoral student of IEDS is affiliated to the Partner institution where his/her local supervisor is employed.

4. The University of Silesia in Katowice must enter data into POLON system according to Article 342(1) of the Act on Higher Education and Science of 20 July 2018 (Dz. U. item 1668, as amended).
5. Each doctoral student is assigned a supervisor or supervisors who must be employed at one of the Partner institutions and must hold a degree of Professor or Assistant Professor with Habilitation degree. The function of an auxiliary supervisor may be performed by a person from outside the Partner institutions, holding a PhD degree. The function of a second supervisor may be performed by a person who does not hold a degree of Professor or a Habilitation degree, who is employed at a foreign university of academic institution, provided that the authority awarding the PhD degree decides that the person has significant achievements with regards to the academic concepts forming the core of a given doctoral dissertation.
6. Proceeding regarding the award of a PhD degree shall be conducted at the institution to which a given doctoral student is affiliated, by an appropriate authority responsible for the award of PhD degrees in the discipline or field of study in which a given degree is to be awarded.
7. Costs involved in the proceedings regarding the award of a PhD degree are covered by the institution to which a given doctoral student is affiliated.
8. The University of Silesia in Katowice is entitled to receive financial resources for joint education at the Doctoral School from the subsidies of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education.
9. Doctoral scholarships shall be paid to IEDS doctoral students by the University of Silesia in Katowice, according to internal regulations. The University of Silesia shall issue notes, with 14-day term of payment, which the Partners shall use as a basis for the reimbursement of scholarships paid to IEDS students affiliated to a given Partner institution. The notes shall also be used to record the cost of these scholarships.
10. IEDS is financed from subsidies and own resources of Partner Institutions to which IEDS doctoral students are affiliated.
11. The Partners may apply for funding from national and foreign sources to cover the cost of additional activity related to education, development, internships and scholarships within IEDS. Financial and legal issues related to additional IEDS funding shall be settled in additional agreements and regulations.
12. The education provision at IEDS is specified in *Rules of the International Environmental Doctoral School associated with the Centre for Polar Studies at the University of Silesia in Katowice*, passed by the Academic Senate of the University of Silesia in Katowice.
13. Admission to IEDS follows the rules stipulated in *Admission policy and qualification procedure at the International Environmental Doctoral School associated with the Centre for Polar Studies at the University of Silesia in Katowice*, passed by the Academic Senate of the University of Silesia in Katowice.
14. IEDS educational components and their learning outcomes are specified in the educational programme, passed by the Academic Senate of the University of Silesia in Katowice.

15. Costs involved in the running and administrative management of IEDS are covered by the University of Silesia in Katowice.
16. Compulsory professional traineeship, offered to doctoral students in the amount specified in the educational programme, is organised by the Partner institutions to which the students are affiliated. The cost of professional traineeship is covered by the relevant Partners or from resources received from the outside.
17. Travel costs involved in doctoral students' participation in educational meeting are reimbursed by the Partner institutions to which the students are affiliated.
18. Costs involved in the organisation of educational meetings are covered by the Partner Institutions organising the meetings.
19. The University of Silesia in Katowice, as the institution responsible for IEDS, undertakes to provide IEDS with free access to office space and infrastructure necessary to provide student services as well as ½ full time equivalent for technical support service.
20. The University of Silesia in Katowice, as the institution responsible for IEDS, appoints 6 members of IEDS Council, while the remaining Partners appoint 2 members each.
21. Each member of IEDS Council must hold a degree of Professor or Assistant Professor with Habilitation degree in one of the core disciplines of the Doctoral School.
22. The Dean of IEDS is appointed by the President of the University of Silesia in Katowice upon the request of IEDS Council.
23. IEDS Council may include up to five employees of foreign universities or academic institutions, whose appointment must comply with the rules stipulated in a separate document.
24. Any changes in the content of this agreement must be approved by the Partners forming IEDS.

The agreement has been prepared in four identical copies.