**STRUCTURE OF THE RESEARCH PLAN**

The training plan consists of three pages: title page, scheduling of subjects, final exam subjects and language skills.

1. Contents of the **title page**:

* name of the institute;
* name of the doctoral school;
* name of the head of the doctoral school;
* indication of “Training plan”;
* research topic;
* location where the research is being carried out;
* name of the supervisor;
* date.

(*See attached example.*)

**Cover page of the “Training plan”**

*Sample!*

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**Faculty of Economics**

**Károly Ihrig Doctoral School of Management and Business**

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**RESEARCH PLAN**

**Strategies of preserving biodiversity in the European Union**

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1. **Research topic**

It is very important to choose the topic carefully and formulate it in a clear and simpler way. If possible, try to avoid foreign words. (the topic is not necessarily the same as the dissertation topic.)

1. **Objectives**

What scientific problem(s) do you intend to analyse with the research? Please define and circumscribe the scientific problems to be examined. What questions would you like to get an answer to? What is the research hypothesis based on your knowledge so far? Please explain the timeliness and scientific significance of the selected topic, as well as the research preliminaries and reasons. (min. one page)

1. **Scientific concept and methods**

Please describe your concept related to working out the topic, the methodology of primary and secondary research work (data collection, data processing, analyses, etc.). Which scientific set of tools do you plan to use during your research work (e.g. mathematical models, econometric methods, questionnaire surveys, comparative analyses, etc.). Justification and aim of the selected methods. Please describe the source of research and analysis methods and accurately define the examined areas temporally, spatially and in terms of size, etc. What kind of database do you expect as a result of the performed primary research? (min. 3 pages)

1. **Structure of processing the research topic**

It is necessary that the work plan contains 3-5 concept points (sections) which constitute the structure of the research. Please indicate two or more subsections within each section. Please outline your concept with regard to structural proportions.
(min. 1 page)

1. **Concept of processing the bibliographical sources**

Description of the bibliographical background of the topic. At least 10 professionally related Hungarian and 10 international technical literature sources have to be attached with accurate bibliographical data. The technical literature sources should be related both to the topic and the used methodology. Scientific papers are of high priority among the used bibliographical sources. Please describe the areas which you would develop on the basis of bibliographical sources and provide a textual explanation of your ideas.

1. **Temporal scheduling of research**

It is recommended to make an approximate plan of the research work using a quarterly Gantt chart. It is imporant to plan milestones serving the purpose of demonstrating the advancement of research work with certain research findigns (publications, conference presentation, readiness level of the dissertation, etc.). Build in the institutions to be visited, as well as the Hungarian and international key opinion leaders, conferences, programs and their planned date (year, semester).

1. **Expected research findings**
2. **Conditions, material, tool and resource need of the planned research**
3. **Clause**

Both doctoral candidates and supervisors sign the research plan with a date on it, thereby stating their acceptance and agreement with the plan.

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|  | Approval: | ……………………………………....signature of the Head of the Doctoral School |