**INTERDISCIPLINARY**

**DOCTORAL**

**STUDY PROGRAM IN ACADEMIC YEAR 2025/2026**

**BIOSCIENCES**

**STATEMENT BY MENTOR**

I, the undersigned \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

undertake supervision of the candidate \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, who has applied for enrolment in the academic year 2025/26 in the Interdisciplinary Doctoral Study Program in **BIOSCIENCES**, in the scientific field \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Important:**

Mentors and co-mentors in doctoral studies shall be university teachers with the title of assistant professor, associate professor or full professor, or academic worker with the title of scientific associate, senior scientific associate or academic counsellor, and shall demonstrate their research work, with the requisite bibliography, from the broader field covered by the doctoral dissertation. The minimum condition for proven research activity of a (co)supervisor, is a bibliography of the last five years that achieves 150 points according to SICRIS and has an index of important achievements A1/2 higher than 0 points or to have published at least two significant works in the last five years, as defined in the UL Habilitation Criteria and the faculties’ Annexes to these Criteria. For the purposes of determining eligibility as a mentor and a co-supervisor, significant scientific works for which the mentor or co-supervisor is the first or lead author shall be taken into account. In scientific fields where first or lead authorship does not exist or is not routinely demonstrated, the candidate's relevant contribution to these works must be clearly evident.

Mentors and co-mentors may also be persons with the appropriate habilitation of another institute (domestic or foreign) and who have references from the broader field covered by the topic of a doctoral dissertation, and who work in a study programme or are employed by an institute with whom the University of Ljubljana (UL) or a member faculty of the UL has concluded an agreement or entered into a cooperation agreement.

A mentor or co-mentor may serve in that role for a maximum of six doctoral candidates enrolled in any doctoral study programme at UL and no more than two years have passed since their last enrollment in the year or additional year. That number shall not include doctoral candidates who have submitted their dissertation for assessment.

**Signature of mentor:**

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**Appendix:** 3-5 mentor’s references in the field of the theme of the doctoral dissertation