

Handout on the expiry of the Doctoral Regulations of 04.07.2000 in the version of 10.10.2014

What will happen after 01.04.2022 if I have previously done my doctoral studies according to the PO 2000/2014?

You will automatically switch to the Doctoral Regulations of 16.10.2017 and can continue and complete your doctorate (with a few formal changes) as usual. You will find an overview of the formal changes on our website soon.

What documents must be submitted?

Please submit the following documents to the doctoral office:

- Supervision Agreement (signed by the first and the second supervisor)
- Acknowledgement of the “Order of the Principles for Safeguarding Good Scientific Practice at the Heinrich Heine University“

All documents can be found in the [download section](#) of our website.

By when do I have to submit the documents to the doctoral office?

All required documents must be submitted completely to the doctoral office no later than the end of September 2022.

What happens if I do not submit the documents?

If you do not submit the documents, you and your first supervisor will be informed after the end of September 2022 that your doctoral studies at HHU can no longer be continued. At the same time, there will be given a one-time deadline of six weeks to submit the documents.

Which previous achievements for the doctoral studies will be recognized?

All achievements that you have performed so far in the doctoral studies according to § 7, 4 and 5 of the PO 2000/2014 will be recognized. Of course, it is possible to additionally perform the achievements that are to be performed in the doctoral studies according to PO 2017.

Please note that with the change of the Doctoral Regulations there is **an obligation to enroll** (according to § 6, 6 of the PO 2017). The Student Service Center (SSC) is responsible for enrollment. The gapless enrollment must exist until the completion of the doctoral procedure.