



MAX-PLANCK-GESELLSCHAFT



Thesis Advisory Committee (TAC) Regulations and Agreement

1. For each PhD student of the International Max Planck Research School on Solar System Science at the University of Göttingen, a Thesis Advisory Committee (TAC) is set up at the beginning of the PhD project.
2. The TAC usually consists of two or three scientists. One of its members has to be a faculty member at the university where the student is enrolled. If the doctoral degree regulations of the university requires so, two members have to be professors or habilitated scientists. The daily supervisor is a member of the TAC. The student can propose a member of her or his choice.
3. The TAC approves the PhD project, reviews the progress of the PhD student and advises her or him on further studies and research. The TAC also approves a thesis as ready for submission. When it can be foreseen that a PhD project will not be successfully finished, the TAC can recommend to discontinue the project; this has to be confirmed by the IMPRS chairperson.
4. The TAC meets at least once per year with the student and documents these meetings by written minutes with an executive summary. These meetings shall preferentially take place in months 6-9, 15-18 and 30-33 after the beginning of a PhD project. On request of the student, one of the TAC members or the IMPRS chairperson, the TAC also meets in between.

Print PhD student name

Date

Signature

PhD Project Title

Please provide a half-page abstract and a half-page working plan for the project, which constitute an integral part of this agreement, on page 2.

The following scientists agree to be TAC members for the PhD project as identified above:

1. _____
Print TAC member name *Date* *Signature*

2. _____
Print TAC member name *Date* *Signature*

3. _____
Print TAC member name *Date* *Signature*