GUIDELINES FOR CANDIDATES FOR A DOCTORAL DEGREE IN THE DISCIPLINE OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY AND SPATIAL MANAGEMENT

about a dissertation in the form of a collection of published and thematically related scientific articles

- A doctoral dissertation in the form of a collection of thematically related scientific articles should constitute a thematically coherent set of at least three scientific articles, of which at least one has been published in a journal included in the Journal Citation Reports database. A PhD student must be the first author of at least half of the publications that make up a doctoral dissertation.
- 2. Before submitting the application for initiating the procedure of conferring a doctoral degree, a candidate should demonstrate the main assumptions and results of a doctoral dissertation before the Disciplinary Council of the Faculty of Human Geography and Planning in the form of a presentation.
- 3. The series of publications composing a doctoral dissertation should be drawn up and submitted as a doctoral dissertation which ought to be prepared by a PhD student in the form of a manuscript in the following order:
 - a) Title page
 - b) Contents
 - List of scientific papers included in the series (full bibliography, ministerial points and *Impact Factor* consonant with the year of publication).
 - d) Self-presentation (max. 40 pages A4) comprising:
 - Introduction (reasons for the subject covered, presentation of an investigated issue as compared to the source literature),
 - The objective of the dissertation, main research problems, hypotheses, research methods, data sources;
 - Research results documenting a <u>direct input of a PhD student</u> into the development of the publications on which the dissertation is based (the content of this chapter reflects the percentage share of a PhD student in a given publication that was indicated in the statement);
 - Discussion

- Summing-up and conclusions (this chapter should contain a brief summary of the research problem presented in the dissertation and synthetic, listed conclusions);
- Bibliography (it concerns the publications cited in the selfpresentation) compiled in a fixed format.
- e) Abstract and keywords in the Polish language (one A4 page).
- f) Abstract and keywords in the English language (one A4 page).
- g) Copies of the published works included in the series of publications (bibliographical data or DOI numbers)

The remaining elements of the dissertation added to the Annex:

 The statements of a PhD student and co-authors on their input into the prepared scientific papers (percentage share and specifics of this cooperation, e.g., research conception, gathering research material, conducting laboratory analyses, collecting observations, statistical calculations, writing the typescript of the paper, responses to reviewers).