



Ecole Doctorale 3C
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The criteria that ED3C uses to grant defence authorisation are clearly set out on its website (<https://ed3c.sorbonne-universite.fr/en/thesis-development/defense>) and in its internal regulations. They are listed below:

« The thesis must contain original research by the doctoral student. The scientific prerequisite for the defence of the thesis is therefore the submission of a scientific article, signed as first or co-first author, to an international peer-reviewed journal. A registered patent is considered equivalent to a scientific article. If neither a scientific article nor a patent is submitted, the director of the doctoral school will give his opinion based on the quantity and quality of the doctoral candidate's research and the prospect of publication. »

Accordingly, rapporteurs are asked to mention **the value of the doctoral student's work in their report** (including publications that have been accepted, submitted or are in preparation, as well as any potential for publication).

They are also asked to provide an **opinion on the thesis defence**.

The suggestions for points to be covered in the report, which are provided below for guidance only, are in response to questions that have arisen in the past. Each rapporteur is, of course, free to draft their report as they see fit.

- 1) Summary presentation of the thesis (context, interdisciplinarity, socio-economic partnership, ... hypotheses, main results ...)
- 2) Scientific expertise of the work (originality, advances in relation to the state of the art, scope of the work, methodological contributions, etc.).
- 3) Candidate skills (critical analysis, synthesis, scientific maturity, ability to put results into perspective...)
- 4) Formal appraisal of the thesis manuscript (quality of writing, relevance of bibliography, quality of figures and tables, etc.)
- 5) If applicable, indicate any significant changes required to the manuscript and whether these must be made before the defence.
- 6) If applicable, you may indicate the points that may give rise to discussion during the defense.

Thank you for your help.