(Working)Title of your   
dissertation project

Name:

Student ID-number:

Email address:

Field of Doctoral research:

choose Biology (794 685 437) or Molecular Biology (794 685 490) or Environmental Sciences (796 605 299) or Earth Sciences (796 605 426)

Note: This code needs to match the code filled in in the registration for a doctoral thesis project.

Supervisor(s):

TAC-members:

Funding:

Please choose from top menu „Styles“ the respective style: Heading1, Heading 2, Standard (main text), bullet points, etc. and delete the text highlighted in yellow.

Length: **10 pages** from here until Reference-section. Sections can be adapted according to your needs.

Please keep in mind that your expose might be reviewed by PIs from different disciplines of Ecology resp. Evolution.

# Abstract

Maximum 200 words

# Introduction

## Heading 2

### Heading 3

Short background, outline of the state of research: What is your specific field of research? Where do you start from?

# Aims / Main questions / Significance of your planned research

Description of the topic of the doctoral thesis project including a clear research question: What do you want to reach/answer during your thesis? Why is this important?

# Work plan

Which methods and experimental setups will you use to approach your aims/research questions? Which infrastructure/collaboration partners do you need/have at hand? Which methods are up and running in your lab, which will require establishment/optimization?

# Time plan

When do you plan to do what and achieve your goals? 🡪 Gantt Chart

In case you’re doing your public presentation >13 months after starting your PhD, please provide a brief explanation.

# Contingency Plan / Risk Analysis

Where do you see potential problems/risks in your research plan? Have you thought of solutions/alternatives?

# Supervision, infrastructure and funding

Can also be briefly outlined without sub-headings

## Choice of supervisor(s) and TAC

Guidelines on selecting TAC-members can be found on the website: https://vds-ecology-evolution.univie.ac.at/phd-programme/thesis-advisory-committee-tac/

## Details on infrastructure and funding

E.g. Salary and further description on funding such as coverage of consumables, travel budget etc.

# Acknowledgments

If needed, otherwise delete section

# Cited References