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INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY DOCTORAL SCHOOL**

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## **Section 1. Legal basis**

### **Article 1**

These Regulations shall be based on the following documents:

- (1) Law on Higher Education no. 199/2023, as subsequently amended and supplemented;
- (2) Order of the Ministry of Education No. 3020/08.01.2024 for the approval of the Framework Regulations on doctoral studies, as subsequently amended and supplemented:
  - a) Order of the Ministry of Education No. 4653/23.07.2025 for amending and supplementing the Framework Regulation on doctoral studies;
  - b) Order of the Ministry of Education No. 3214/16.02.2026 for amending and supplementing the Framework Regulation on doctoral studies.

## **Section 2. General provisions**

### **Article 2**

- (1) The Intelligence and Security Doctoral School is the higher education and scientific research structure that provides training, development, and professional advancement for doctoral students through university education and scientific research activities in the field of accredited doctoral studies organized by IOSUD ANIMV, specific to cycle III of university studies.
- (2) The regulations on the organization and functioning of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School set up the establishment, structuring and functioning of the university management structures and the establishment, structuring and functioning of the academic community specific to the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School.
- (3) The regulations on the organization and functioning of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School establish the operational framework necessary for the implementation of doctoral university study programs and postdoctoral advanced research programs.

### **Article 3**

- (1) *The regulations on the organization and functioning of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School* are set up in accordance with the following principles:
  - a) the principle of university autonomy;
  - b) the principle of academic freedom;
  - c) the principle of public accountability;
  - d) the principle of quality assurance;
  - e) the principle of equity;
  - f) the principle of managerial and financial efficiency, which aims to achieve appropriate educational outcomes through the management of existing resources;
  - g) the principle of transparency;
  - h) the principle of respect for the rights and freedoms of members of the academic community;
  - i) the principle of freedom of national and international mobility for doctoral students, postdoctoral researchers, teaching staff, and scientific researchers;

- j) the principle of student-centered education;
  - k) the principle of relevance, according to which education addresses personal and socio-economic development needs;
  - l) the principle of safeguarding the cultural identity of all members of the academic community and fostering intercultural dialogue;
  - m) the principle of embracing, promoting, and preserving national identity and national and European cultural values;
  - n) the principle of recognizing and guaranteeing the rights of persons belonging to national minorities, and the right to preserve, develop, and express their ethnic, cultural, linguistic, and religious identities;
  - o) the principle of ensuring equal opportunity and non-discrimination;
  - p) the principle of freedom of thought and independence from political and religious ideologies and doctrines;
  - q) the principle of consulting social partners in decision-making;
  - r) the principle of involving doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers in decision-making.
- (2) *The regulations on the organization and functioning of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School* are submitted to the Doctoral School Council (CSD) by the director of the doctoral school, following consultation with the doctoral supervisors who are members of the doctoral school, in accordance with the applicable legal provisions.
- (3) The regulations are reviewed by the Doctoral School Council (CSD) and approved by the Council for Doctoral University Studies (CSUD) of IOSUD ANIMV.

### ***Section 3. Intelligence and Security Doctoral School***

#### **Article 4**

- (1) The Intelligence and Security Doctoral School is an organizational and administrative structure that provides the organizational and administrative framework necessary for conducting doctoral and postdoctoral studies in the accredited doctoral program *Intelligence and National Security*.
- (2) The Intelligence and Security Doctoral School shall be established and operate with a minimum of three doctoral supervisors, who are university teaching staff and/or scientific researchers who have obtained the right to supervise doctoral students in accordance with the law.
- (3) Within IOSUD ANIMV, the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School shall have the same status as a university department.
- (4) The structure of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School shall be defined by its staff positions chart, proposed by the CSD, endorsed by the CSUD and the Rector of ANIMV, and approved by the ANIMV Senate. The staff positions chart of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School shall include all positions for doctoral supervisor necessary for the operation of doctoral degree programs and postdoctoral advanced research programs, as well as all positions for doctoral students enrolled in full-time education.
- (5) The staff positions chart of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School provides the following positions for university teaching staff: professor, associate professor,

- lecturer; and the following scientific research titles: scientific researcher grade I, scientific researcher grade II, scientific researcher grade III, scientific researcher.
- (6) The staff positions chart of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School provides scientific research assistant positions for doctoral students enrolled in full-time education.
  - (7) The staff positions chart of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School shall be updated annually, according to the changes in the number of members of the doctoral school or the number of doctoral students enrolled in full-time education.
  - (8) During the academic year, the staff positions chart of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School shall remain unchanged.
  - (9) With the approval of the Board of Trustees and the ANIMV Senate and the endorsement of the CSUD, the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School may establish research centers or laboratories that operate as revenue and expenditure units within ANIMV, in accordance with the law.

## ***Section 4. Intelligence and Security Doctoral School Council***

### **Article 5**

- (1) The academic management of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School shall be provided by the Doctoral School Council (CSD), an academic management structure with deliberative and decision-making powers.
- (2) The executive management of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School shall be provided by the Director of the Doctoral School, who is also a member of the CSD by law.

### **Article 6**

- (1) The CSD may consist of at least 3 doctoral supervisors and at least one doctoral student or postdoctoral researcher. The number of members and the composition of the CSD shall be determined for each mandate of the university management structure at least 30 days prior the expiration of the CSD's mandate by a specific decision of the CSD.
- (2) The Doctoral School Council consists of:
  - a) representatives of doctoral supervisors, members of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School, up to 75%;
  - b) representatives of doctoral students or postdoctoral researchers from the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School, at least 25%.
- (3) All members of the CSD shall be elected by universal, direct, secret, and equal vote by the doctoral supervisors, Doctoral students, and postdoctoral researchers within the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School.
- (4) Representatives of the doctoral supervisors within the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School shall be elected by universal, direct, secret, and equal vote by the doctoral supervisors within the doctoral school. Doctoral supervisors of the doctoral school, university teaching staff, or scientific researchers who meet the minimum and mandatory standards for obtaining the habilitation certificate applicable at the date of submitting their candidacy for the CSD shall be eligible to stand for election. All doctoral supervisors within the Intelligence Doctoral School shall be entitled to vote.

- (5) Representatives of doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers within the CSD shall be elected by universal, direct, secret, and equal vote by doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers, in accordance with the *Methodology for electing the representatives of doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers in academic management structures*.
- (6) The mandate of the CSD shall be 5 years. The mandate of a CSD member shall be 5 years and shall cease upon the expiration of the CSD's mandate.
- (7) To fill vacancies during a CSD mandate, partial elections shall be held, depending on the specificities of the vacant position. The partial mandate of the CSD's members shall cease upon the expiration of the CSD's mandate.
- (8) The mandate of the CSD members holding doctoral supervisor positions shall cease prior to expiration in the following cases: death, retirement, loss of tenured status, loss of doctoral supervisor status, loss of doctoral title, removal from office.
- (9) The mandate of the CSD members who are doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers shall cease in accordance with the *Methodology for electing the representatives of doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers in academic management structures*.

#### **Article 7**

- (1) The CSD usually convenes once a month or whenever necessary in extraordinary sessions. Extraordinary sessions are convened by the director of the doctoral school or at the request of at least one-third of the CSD members.
- (2) The decisions of the CSD are adopted by a simple majority of the members present. A quorum is achieved when at least two-thirds of the total number of the CSD members are present, provided that at least one representative of doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers is present.
- (3) Decisions falling within CSD's approval competence are submitted to the CSUD of ANIMV for information. Decisions falling within CSD's endorsement competence are submitted for approval to the CSUD of ANIMV, the ANIMV Senate, or the ANIMV Board of Trustees, in accordance with their respective competences.

#### **Article 8**

- (1) The Doctoral School Council has the following responsibilities in ensuring the functioning of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School:
  - a) endorses the *Regulations on the organization and functioning of the Doctoral Intelligence and Security School* and submits them to the CSUD for approval;
  - b) endorses the staff positions chart of the doctoral school and the distribution of teaching tasks and submits them to the ANIMV Senate for approval;
  - c) endorses the structure of the academic year for the *Intelligence and National Security* doctoral study program and submits it to the ANIMV Senate for approval;
  - d) endorses the structure of the academic year for the *Intelligence and National Security* postdoctoral advanced research program and submits it to the ANIMV Senate for approval;

- e) endorses the distribution of vacant doctoral student positions to doctoral supervisors who are members of the doctoral school and submits it to the ANIMV Senate for approval;
- f) endorses the distribution of vacant postdoctoral researcher positions to scientific coordinators who are members of the doctoral school and submits it to the ANIMV Senate for approval;
- g) endorses the signing of agreements and partnerships / consortia to conduct doctoral university study programs and co-tutored doctorates and submits them to the ANIMV Senate for approval;
- h) annually endorses the tuition fees, the fee for the public defense of the doctoral thesis, and the fee for defending the habilitation thesis in order to obtain the status of doctoral supervisor and submits them to the ANIMV Senate for approval;
- i) annually endorses the tuition fees, the fee for public defense of the scientific graduation paper and submits them to the ANIMV Senate for approval;
- j) analyzes and resolves the requests of doctoral supervisors from the doctoral school and of doctoral students enrolled in the doctoral school, and submits them to the CSUD or the ANIMV Senate, depending on the request;
- k) analyzes and resolves the requests of the scientific coordinators from the doctoral school and of the postdoctoral researchers enrolled in the doctoral school, and forward them to the CSUD or to the ANIMV Senate, depending on the request.

**Article 9**

- (1) The Doctoral School Council has the following responsibilities in ensuring the development of the doctoral study program in the doctoral field of *Intelligence and National Security*:
  - a) approves the composition of the academic advisory and integrity committees;
  - b) approves the self-evaluation reports of doctoral students and the evaluation of doctoral students by doctoral supervisors;
  - c) approves the self-evaluation reports of doctoral supervisors;
  - d) approves requests from doctoral students to interrupt the doctoral university study program;
  - e) endorses the procedures necessary for the proper conduct of activities specific to doctoral university study programs in the doctoral school;
  - f) endorses the curriculum of the doctoral university study programs the field of *Intelligence and National Security* and submits it to the CSUD for approval;
  - g) endorses the composition of the committee for the public defense of the doctoral thesis, upon the proposal of the doctoral supervisor and submits it to the CSUD for approval;
  - h) endorses the internal self-evaluation reports for the field of *Intelligence and National Security* doctoral studies and submits them to the CSUD for approval;
  - i) endorses the change of the doctoral supervisor (permanent internal mobility), respectively, the redistribution of doctoral students to doctoral supervisors in the doctoral school and submits them to CSUD for approval;

- j) endorses the criteria and indicators for evaluating doctoral theses by the academic advisory and integrity committees and by the committees for the public defense of doctoral theses and submits them to the CSUD for approval;
- k) endorses the doctoral supervisors' requests to become members of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School and submits them to the CSUD for approval;
- l) endorses the enrollment of candidates admitted to the admission exam for doctoral studies, upon the proposal of the admission committee and submits the results to the CSUD for approval;
- m) endorses the expulsion of doctoral students upon the proposal of doctoral supervisors and submits the proposals to the CSUD for approval;
- n) endorses the templates for the doctoral studies contract and its addenda and submits them to the CSUD for approval;
- o) endorses the proposals of the doctoral supervisors for the extension of the doctoral university study program and submits them to the ANIMV Senate for approval;
- p) endorses the requests of doctoral students and the endorsements of the doctoral supervisors for reducing the doctoral university study program and submits them to the ANIMV Senate for approval;
- q) proposes the Curriculum of the doctoral university study program in the field of *Intelligence and National Security* and submits it to the CSUD for approval.

**Article 10**

- (1) The Doctoral School Council has the following responsibilities in ensuring the development of the postdoctoral advanced research program in the doctoral field of *Intelligence and National Security*:
  - a) approves the composition of the academic advisory and integrity committees of postdoctoral researchers;
  - b) approves the self-evaluation reports of postdoctoral researchers and the evaluation of postdoctoral researchers by the scientific coordinators;
  - c) approves the self-evaluation reports of the scientific coordinators;
  - d) approves requests from postdoctoral researchers to interrupt the postdoctoral advanced research programs in the doctoral school;
  - e) endorses the procedures necessary for the proper conduct of activities specific to postdoctoral advanced research programs in the doctoral school;
  - f) endorses the curriculum of the postdoctoral program for advanced research in the field of *Intelligence and National Security* and submits it to the CSUD for approval;
  - g) endorses the composition of the committees for the public defense of the graduation scientific paper, upon the proposal of the scientific coordinator and submits it to the CSUD for approval;
  - h) endorses the internal self-evaluation reports for the *Intelligence and National Security* postdoctoral advanced research program and submits them to the CSUD for approval;
  - i) endorses the change of the scientific coordinator (permanent internal mobility), respectively, the redistribution of postdoctoral researchers to

scientific coordinators from the doctoral school and submits them to the CSUD for approval;

- j) endorses the criteria and indicators for evaluating the scientific graduation papers by the academic advisory and integrity committees and by the committees for the public defense of scientific graduation papers and submits them to the CSUD for approval;
- k) endorses doctoral supervisors' requests to become scientific coordinators of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School and submits them to the CSUD for approval;
- l) endorses the enrollment of candidates declared admitted to the admission exam for postdoctoral studies, upon the proposal of the admission committee and submits the results to the CSUD for approval;
- m) endorses the expulsion of postdoctoral researchers at the proposal of the scientific coordinators and submits the proposals to the CSUD for approval;
- n) endorses the templates for the postdoctoral studies contract and its addenda and submits them to the CSUD for approval;
- o) endorses the proposals of the scientific coordinators for the extension of the advanced research postdoctoral program and submits them to the ANIMV Senate for approval;
- p) proposes the Curriculum of the postdoctoral advanced research program in the field of *Intelligence and National Security* and submits it to the CSUD for approval.

## ***Section 5. Director of the Intelligence and National Security Doctoral School***

### **Article 11**

- (1) The Director of the Intelligence and National Security Doctoral School ensures the operational management of the doctoral school and represents the doctoral school in intra- and inter-institutional relations. The function of director of the doctoral school shall be assimilated to the function of director of the department. The director of the doctoral school is appointed by elections.
- (2) The Director of the Doctoral School is chosen from among the doctoral supervisors of the Doctoral School of Intelligence and Security, according to the Methodology for electing the Director of the Doctoral School.
- (3) The term of office of the director of the doctoral school is 5 years.
- (4) The duties of the director of the doctoral school are as follows:
  - a) shall chair the SDIS Board meetings and be a full member of the SDIS Board;
  - b) shall coordinate the drafting of *the Regulations on organizing and functioning of the Intelligence and National Security Doctoral School*, shall analyze the final form of the project and shall present it to be endorsed by the Doctoral School Council;
  - c) shall lead the activities of organizing, conducting, and managing the doctoral study programs in the field of *Intelligence and National Security*, in accordance with the provisions of the *Regulations on the organization and functioning of the SDIS*, *Regulations on the organization and functioning of IOSUD ANIMV*, and the legislation in force;

- d) shall propose to the Doctoral School Council for endorsement the *Doctoral Studies Program Plan* and the *Postdoctoral Advanced Research Program Plan* for each of the accredited doctoral fields for which the SDIS ensures the operation;
- e) shall propose to the CSD the *Organizational staff positions chart of the Doctoral School* and the *Distribution of scientific research teaching tasks* of the SDIS;
- f) shall propose the necessary procedures for the optimal performance of the activities of the doctoral programs within the SDIS, in accordance with the *Regulations on the organization and functioning of the SDIS*, the *Regulations on the organization and functioning of the Doctoral Studies Programs within IOSUD ANIMV*, the *Regulations on the organization and functioning of the Postdoctoral Programs within IOSUD ANIMV* and the legislative framework in force, the organization and conduct of which is ensured by the SDIS, and propose them to be endorsed by the CSD;
- g) shall conduct the internal self-evaluation activities of the doctoral studies field of *Intelligence and National Security*, based on the methodologies in force and shall propose the *Internal Evaluation Report* to the CSD;
- h) shall ensure that the public and, in particular, the candidates for doctoral studies programs and postdoctoral study programs organized and conducted by the SDIS, are fully informed;
- i) shall ensure that doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers are informed of the content of doctoral and postdoctoral study programs, the criteria and procedures for evaluating the results of the training program based on advanced university studies, the individual scientific research program, the complementary training program;
- j) shall ensure that at least the following documents and information are posted on the animv.ro website:
  - 1. Regulations on the organization and functioning of the Intelligence and National Security Doctoral School;
  - 2. procedures specific to doctoral and postdoctoral programs organized and carried out by the SDIS;
  - 3. information on vacancies for doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers;
  - 4. information on vacancies for doctoral supervisors;
  - 5. information on the content, organization and conduct of university doctoral programs and postdoctoral programs organized and conducted by the SDIS;
  - 6. information regarding the funding of doctoral studies and postdoctoral studies, as well as costs incurred by candidates, doctoral students, postdoctoral researchers;
  - 7. the template of the framework contract for doctoral studies and the model of the framework contract for postdoctoral studies organized and conducted by the SDIS;
  - 8. information on the doctoral supervisors, scientific coordinators and doctoral students, postdoctoral researchers they coordinate;
  - 9. information on candidates for habilitation in the doctoral fields organized and conducted by the SDIS and information on the persons habilitated in

- the doctoral fields organized and conducted by the SDIS;
10. information on the public defense of doctoral theses and those submitted to the CNATDCU for validation;
  11. information on the public defense of graduate scientific work;
  12. information on the curricular and extracurricular activities of the doctoral and postdoctoral university studies programs organized and conducted by the SDIS.
- k) shall ensure the prevention and sanctioning of deviations from the rules of academic ethics and integrity and of scientific and professional research, according to the Code of Ethics and Professional Deontology of ANIMV.

#### **Article 12**

- (1) The position of Director of the Doctoral School is incompatible with the management positions provided for in the Law on Higher Education no. 199/2023, article 170, paragraph 5. If the Director of the Doctoral School is in a situation of incompatibility with other managerial positions, he has 15 days to eliminate the incompatibility situation, including suspension from one of the positions.

### ***Section 6. Intelligence and Security Doctoral School Community***

#### **Article 13**

- (1) The academic community of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School consists of:
  - a) all doctoral supervisors and scientific coordinators, teaching staff and scientific researchers, members of the doctoral school;
  - b) all doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers enrolled in the doctoral school;
  - c) all IOSUD ANIMV tenured or visiting scientific staff and researchers, working within the doctoral programs, postdoctoral advanced research programs, and contributing to the achievement of the objectives and mission of the SDIS.

#### **Article 14**

- (1) The academic community of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School acts to ensure the following objectives:
  - a) advanced scientific knowledge of national Intelligence and security;
  - b) identification, formulating and solving problems specific to the professional field of intelligence and national security;
  - c) creative knowledge and application of advanced scientific research methods and techniques in the professional field of intelligence and national security;
  - d) knowledge of principles of management of scientific research activities and projects;
  - e) operating with techniques and procedures specific to scientific and professional research in the field of intelligence and national security;
  - f) ability to document, develop and build on the achievements of scientific research;
  - g) understanding and applying the principles of ethical values and

academic integrity and scientific research in the field of intelligence and national security;

- h) interpretation and application of new paradigms, theories and theoretical perspectives in the field of intelligence and national security;
  - i) the accumulation, interpretation and development of advanced knowledge in the field of intelligence and national security;
  - j) identifying new approaches to research issues through creative and combinatorial imagination, critical and interpretive analysis;
  - k) producing academic scientific products for prestigious publications in the field of intelligence and national security;
  - l) contributing to the progress of knowledge through original research with national and international impact, as demonstrated by appropriate scientific publications;
  - m) carrying out critical analyzes, evaluations and summaries of new and complex ideas;
- (2) The academic community of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School acts to cultivate the following attitudes:
- a) conceptual and appropriate scientific communication in the field of intelligence and national security;
  - b) the efficient use of information and communication technology;
  - c) interrelation with members of the scientific community and members of scientific research teams;
  - d) effective management of human, material, and financial resources;
  - e) planning for the achievement of scientific research objectives within the time allocated to research;
  - f) career planning and management, identifying and employing for oneself and creating jobs for others;
  - g) design and management of risk, crisis and professional failure;
  - h) proper application and use of legislation on intellectual property rights and copyright.

#### **Article 15**

- (1) The activities and performance of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School, as well as those of doctoral supervisors, scientific coordinators, academic advisory and integrity committees, doctoral students, and postdoctoral researchers are evaluated internally annually and externally once every 5 years, in accordance with a procedure proposed by the director of the Doctoral School, endorsed by the CSD, and approved by the CSUD.
- (2) The procedure shall be updated whenever relevant legislative changes occur.

### ***Section 7. Doctoral supervisor – scientific coordinator***

#### **Article 16**

- (1) A doctoral supervisor may be a person who obtained the right to supervise doctoral students prior to the effective date of the Higher Education Law No. 199/2023, as subsequently amended and supplemented, as well as persons who have obtained the habilitation certificate.

#### **Article 17**

- (1) Members of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School include tenured

doctoral supervisors within the Doctoral School, tenured doctoral supervisors at other university or scientific research units of ANIMV affiliated with the Doctoral School, who have been endorsed by the CSD and approved by the CSUD.

- (2) Members of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School include tenured doctoral supervisors at other higher education or scientific research institutions from the country or abroad, affiliated with the Doctoral School, endorsed by the CSD, and approved by the CSUD, based on a fixed-term employment contract concluded with IOSUD ANIMV.
- (3) Members of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School are the scientific coordinators appointed from among the doctoral supervisors or from among the teaching and research staff, tenured or associate members of IOSUD ANIMV, who hold the habilitation certificate.

#### **Article 18**

- (1) Membership in the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School shall terminate in the following situations:
  - a) loss of the right to supervise doctoral students;
  - b) loss of tenured status at a higher education or scientific research institution;
  - c) failure to conclude a fixed-term employment contract with IOSUD ANIMV;
  - d) fulfillment of the legal conditions for retirement.
- (2) The withdrawal of membership in the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School for a doctoral supervisor - scientific coordinators - shall be carried out following a proposal made by the director of the Doctoral School or the filing of a complaint to that effect, with the endorsement of the Doctoral School Council and the approval of the CSUD, under at least one of the following conditions:
  - a) the doctoral supervisor - scientific coordinator violates the provisions of the IOSUD ANIMV Code of Academic Ethics, according to a decision of the ANIMV Academic Ethics Committee;
  - b) the doctoral supervisor - scientific coordinator demonstrates poor performance in supervising their doctoral students or postdoctoral researchers;
  - c) the doctoral supervisor - scientific coordinator is found guilty of a serious conflict with other doctoral supervisors - scientific coordinators or with doctoral students or postdoctoral researchers, of harassment, aggression, discrimination, or acts that undermine honor or dignity, or of obtaining material or other benefits, pursuant to a decision of the ANIMV University Ethics Council or the ANIMV Board of Trustees, as applicable;
  - d) the doctoral supervisor - scientific researcher fails to meet the scientific standards established by CNATDCU, during the evaluation conducted once every 5 years;
- (3) the doctoral supervisor - scientific coordinator shows no interest in supervising their doctoral students or postdoctoral researchers, does not participate in evaluations and self-evaluations, and does not respond to requests from the Doctoral School.

#### **Article 19**

- (1) The status of doctoral supervisor or scientific coordinator, affiliated or associate of the Doctoral School of Intelligence and Security may be obtained by persons qualified in the doctoral field of Intelligence and

National Security, in accordance with a procedure proposed by the director of the Doctoral School, endorsed by the CSD, and approved by the CSUD.

- (2) The procedure shall be updated whenever relevant legislative changes occur.

## ***Section 8. Academic Advisory and Integrity Committee***

### **Article 20**

- (1) The Academic Advisory and Integrity Committee supports the doctoral supervisor in coordinating scientific research activities and in fostering a culture of academic and scientific integrity among doctoral students.
- (2) The doctoral supervisor shall propose, for each doctoral student, an academic advisory and integrity committee consisting of four members, at least one of whom must be from outside IOSUD ANIMV.
- (3) The members of the Academic Advisory and Integrity Committee are tenured professors of IOSUD ANIMV, doctoral supervisors, or professors and scientific researchers affiliated with ANIMV, holding at least the rank of associate professor, or at least the rank of scientific researcher grade III, respectively. A professor or scientific researcher may serve on multiple advisory committees.

### **Article 21**

- (1) The Academic Advisory and Integrity Committee assists in guiding doctoral students' work within the framework of the individual scientific research program.
- (2) The Academic Advisory and Integrity Committee is proposed by the doctoral supervisor, after consulting with the proposed members regarding their availability, and is approved by the Doctoral School Council.
- (3) The Academic Advisory and Integrity Committee may change its composition at the request of the doctoral supervisor, the members of the Academic Advisory and Integrity Committee, or the doctoral student. The request must be made in writing, addressed to the director of the Doctoral School, and discussed by the Doctoral School Council.
- (4) The composition of the Academic Advisory and Integrity Committee is subject to approval by the Doctoral School Council at least 30 days prior to the submission of a doctoral student's scientific research output for evaluation.

### **Article 22**

- (1) The Advisory and Integrity Committee for postdoctoral researchers is organized in a similar manner, upon the proposal of the scientific coordinator. The members of the Advisory and Academic Integrity Committee for postdoctoral researchers must hold at least the academic rank of associate professor or the rank of scientific researcher grade II.
- (2) The Advisory and Academic Integrity Committee for postdoctoral researchers operates in a similar manner, participating in the guidance of the postdoctoral researcher's activities within the postdoctoral advanced research program.

**Section 9. Doctoral student****Article 23**

- (1) A doctoral student is a person enrolled in a doctoral degree program. Doctoral student status is maintained throughout the entire duration of the doctoral program, including during periods of national and international mobility, except during periods of interruption of doctoral studies, but includes any periods of extension of the doctoral program approved by the ANIMV Senate, specifically from enrollment until graduation from the doctoral program or until expulsion.

**Article 24**

- (1) A student's status as a doctoral student at the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School is terminated upon completion of the doctoral program, following the public defense of the doctoral thesis.
- (2) The status of doctoral student shall be revoked through expulsion, upon the recommendation of the doctoral supervisor, with the approval of the Doctoral School Council and the CSUD, in any of the following situations:
  - a) the doctoral student violates the provisions of the IOSUD ANIMV Code of Academic Ethics regarding plagiarism, research falsification, fabrication of data, and/or violates the provisions regarding the rules of good conduct in scientific research, in accordance with applicable law;
  - b) the doctoral student is found guilty of a major conflict with other doctoral students, professors or research staff, of harassment, aggression, discrimination, undermining academic honor or dignity, or offering material or other benefits to the doctoral supervisor, members of the Academic Advisory and Integrity Committee, or members of the doctoral thesis defense committee, based on a decision of the ANIMV University Ethics Committee;
  - c) the doctoral student fails to earn the minimum ECTS required for promotion to the next academic year, including during the extension period of the doctoral program, as proposed by the doctoral supervisor;
  - d) the doctoral student fails to earn in maximum 6 years the minimum ECTS required for promotion to the next academic year, including during the extension period of the doctoral program, to access the public defense of the doctoral thesis procedure;
  - e) the doctoral thesis is rejected for the second time by the public defense committee because it does not meet the minimum standards for acceptance;
  - f) the doctoral student requests termination of the doctoral study contract or fails to sign the doctoral study contract and its addenda.

**Article 25**

- (1) Enrollment in and expulsion from the doctoral program shall be carried out in accordance with a procedure proposed by the director of the Doctoral School, endorsed by the CSD, and approved by the CSUD.
- (2) The procedure shall be updated whenever relevant legislative changes occur.

**Section 10. Postdoctoral researcher****Article 26**

- (1) A postdoctoral researcher is a person enrolled in a postdoctoral advanced research program. Postdoctoral researcher status is maintained throughout the entire duration of the postdoctoral advanced research program, including during periods of national and international mobility, except during periods of interruption of postdoctoral studies, but includes any periods of extension of the postdoctoral advanced research program approved by the ANIMV Senate, specifically from enrollment until completion of the postdoctoral program or expulsion.

**Article 27**

- (1) The status of postdoctoral researcher at the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School is terminated upon completion of the postdoctoral advanced research program, following the public defense of the graduation research paper.
- (2) The status of postdoctoral researcher shall be revoked through expulsion, upon the recommendation of the scientific coordinator, with the approval of the Doctoral School Council and the CSUD, in any of the following situations:
  - a) the postdoctoral researcher violates the provisions of the IOSUD ANIMV Code of Academic Ethics regarding plagiarism, research falsification, fabrication of data, and/or violates the provisions regarding the rules of good conduct in scientific research, in accordance with applicable law;
  - b) the postdoctoral researcher is found guilty of a major conflict with other postdoctoral researchers, professors or research staff, of harassment, aggression, or discrimination, undermining academic honor or dignity, or offering material or other benefits to the scientific coordinator, members of the Academic Advisory and Integrity Committee, or members of the committee for the public defense of the graduation paper, based on a decision of the ANIMV University Ethics Committee;
  - c) the postdoctoral researcher fails to obtain the minimum ECTS required for promotion to the following academic year, including during any extensions of the advanced postdoctoral research program granted at the recommendation of the scientific coordinator;
  - d) the postdoctoral researcher fails to obtain the minimum ECTS required for completing the advanced postdoctoral research program within the maximum period of 3 years, which includes any extensions corresponding to approved periods of interruption, in order to proceed to the public defense of the graduation paper;
  - e) the graduation paper is rejected for the second time by the public defense committee because it does not meet the minimum standards for acceptance;
  - f) the postdoctoral researcher requests the termination of the postdoctoral research contract or fails to sign the postdoctoral research contract and its addenda.

**Article 28**

- (1) Enrollment in and expulsion from the postdoctoral advanced research program shall be carried out in accordance with a procedure proposed by

the director of the doctoral school, endorsed by the CSD, and approved by the CSUD.

- (2) The procedure shall be updated whenever relevant legislative changes occur.

## ***Section 11. Doctorate under co-tutorship***

### **Article 29**

- (1) The Intelligence and Security Doctoral School may organize and conduct doctoral programs under co-tutorship, in which case doctoral students carry out their work under the co-tutorship of a doctoral supervisor from IOSUD ANIMV and a doctoral supervisor from another IOSUD, from the country or abroad, based on a written agreement and an addendum to the doctoral student's doctoral study contract.
- (2) The doctorate under co-tutorship shall be organized and conducted in accordance with the provisions of IOSUD ANIMV.
- (3) The doctorate under co-tutorship can also be organized if both doctoral supervisors are from the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School, for example, when one of the doctoral supervisors has reached retirement age and still has an individual fixed-term employment contract with IOSUD ANIMV.

### **Article 30**

- (1) The organization and implementation of the co-tutorship doctoral program shall be carried out in accordance with a procedure proposed by the director of the doctoral school, endorsed by the CSD, and approved by the CSUD.
- (2) The procedure shall be updated whenever necessary and whenever relevant legislative changes occur.

## ***Section 12. Study and research scholarships, grants, and academic mobility programs for doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers***

### **Article 31**

- (1) Doctoral university studies programs organized as a full-time education form grant scholarships. Doctoral university studies programs organized as a part-time education form do not grant scholarships.
- (2) Grants related to doctoral university studies include the amount of individual scholarships for the scientific/professional doctorate organized as full-time education and do not include the amount of individual scholarships for the scientific/professional doctorate organized as part-time education.
- (3) The grant for studies and research is 20% of the total doctoral study grant, in accordance with legal provisions. The amount of the grant and the procedures for accessing it are established by a specific methodology.
- (4) The grant for studies and research is awarded on a competitive basis, according to the categories of funding for doctoral or postdoctoral studies: funding from the state budget, funding from the SRI budget, funding based on tuition fees, or from other legally established sources.

**Article 32**

- (1) Academic mobility is the right of doctoral students and postdoctoral researchers to have their transferable credits recognized, in accordance with the law, at other higher education institutions in the country or abroad. Mobility may be national or international, physical, virtual or mixed, permanent or temporary, for all forms of education.
- (2) Academic mobility may take place at the request of the doctoral student, provided the following conditions are met:
  - a) inter-institutional agreements;
  - b) acceptance of the accredited/provisionally authorized higher education institutions of origin and, respectively, of destination.

**Article 33**

- (1) Doctoral students may participate in temporary academic mobility between two accredited/provisionally authorized higher education institutions. The compatibility of the curricula for the purpose of ECTS recognition is established prior to the mobility period, and the recognition of transferable credits is carried out after the completion of the mobility, in accordance with the inter-institutional agreement and the regulations of the higher education institutions involved.
- (2) Temporary academic mobility may take place at any time during the doctoral program. Temporary international academic mobility through international programs is carried out in accordance with the regulations established by those programs.

**Article 34**

- (1) Permanent academic mobility is available both to doctoral students enrolled in full-time programs funded by the state budget and to doctoral students enrolled in part-time education, whether tuition-free or tuition-based, in accordance with the legal provisions regarding the enrollment capacity and the financing of higher education, with the consent of the accredited/provisionally authorized higher education institutions involved and in accordance with their own regulations regarding students' professional activities.
- (2) Permanent inter-institutional academic mobility may take place within the same doctoral field, between accredited IOSUDs, following completion of the training program based on advanced university studies.
- (3) Permanent academic mobility may take place within the same doctoral field and within IOSUD ANIMV, between accredited doctoral schools, and within the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School, between doctoral supervisors, in duly justified cases.
- (4) The enrollment of doctoral students following their permanent academic mobility is carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Regulations on the Organization and Functioning of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School, and includes the recognition and equivalence of ECTS and the requirements for advancing to the next academic year.

**Article 35**

- (1) The organization and implementation of postdoctoral mobility programs and scholarships are carried out based on financial resources obtained from other legally established sources, in accordance with IOSUD ANIMV regulations in this field and in accordance with the funder's requirements.

**Article 36**

- (1) Study and research mobility programs shall be organized and conducted in accordance with a procedure proposed by the SDIS Director, endorsed by the SDIS Council, and approved by the CSUD.
- (2) The procedure shall be updated as often as necessary and whenever relevant legislative changes occur.

***Section 13. Secretariat of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School***

**Article 37**

- (1) The Secretariat of the Intelligence and Security Doctoral School is the administrative structure with the following duties and responsibilities:
  - a) ensures the administrative functioning of the doctoral school;
  - b) ensures the registration of all documents drafted, submitted, and received by the doctoral school;
  - c) organizes and prepares the meetings of the CSD, records the resolutions adopted, and submits them for endorsement or approval to the CSUD, the ANIMV Senate, or the ANIMV Board of Trustees;
  - d) carries out the necessary procedures for the enrollment of candidates who have been admitted to the admissions process for doctoral programs and postdoctoral advanced research programs;
  - e) ensures the preparation of records of doctoral students, postdoctoral researchers, study contracts, and addenda to study contracts;
  - f) handles the registration of doctoral students in the National Single Register;
  - g) carries out the necessary procedures for the expulsion of doctoral students from doctoral programs and postdoctoral researchers from advanced postdoctoral research programs;
  - h) maintains a file for each doctoral student and for each postdoctoral researcher;
  - i) maintains the doctoral thesis file for doctoral students and the file for the scientific graduation paper for postdoctoral researchers;
  - j) ensures that doctoral theses are published for public consultation on the UEFISCDI platform;
  - k) records the comments submitted online and to the ANIMV Registry regarding doctoral theses under public consultation on the UEFISCDI platform;
  - l) ensures that doctoral theses are submitted for evaluation in electronic format via the CNATDCU platform;
  - m) ensures that doctoral theses and scientific graduation papers are added to the ANIMV Library;

- n) ensures that doctoral theses are deposited with the National Library of Romania;
- o) receives, registers, and submits to the director of the doctoral school all documents submitted by candidates to the secretariat of the doctoral school;
- p) ensures the publication on the animv.ro website of the information and data specified by the director of the doctoral school.

### ***Section 14. Doctoral student file and doctoral thesis file***

#### **Article 38**

- (1) The doctoral student file and the doctoral thesis file are created at the doctoral school secretariat. The files are compiled in printed format and in \*.pdf format.
- (2) The documents for the doctoral student file and the doctoral thesis file are prepared by the doctoral student, the doctoral supervisor, and the doctoral school secretariat.
- (3) The doctoral student file is prepared in printed format and is archived by IOSUD ANIMV on a permanent basis. The doctoral thesis file is prepared in printed format and in electronic format (documents \*.pdf). The doctoral thesis file in printed format is archived by IOSUD ANIMV on a permanent basis, and the doctoral thesis file in electronic format (documents \*.pdf) is uploaded to the MEC platform, for validation by the CNATDCU committee.
- (4) Expenses related to the drafting and duplication of the doctoral thesis and those for translating the thesis title and abstract into English, for the purpose of creating the doctoral thesis file, are borne by the doctoral student.
- (5) The activities for creating the doctoral student file and the doctoral thesis file are carried out in accordance with a procedure proposed by the director of the doctoral school, endorsed by the CSD, and approved by the CSUD.
- (6) The procedure is updated whenever necessary and when relevant legislative changes occur.

#### **Article 39**

- (1) After the defense of the doctoral thesis, IOSUD ANIMV issues, upon request, a certificate attesting the period during which the doctoral student attended the doctoral university studies.

### ***Section 15. Postdoctoral researcher file and graduation scientific paper file***

#### **Article 40**

- (1) The postdoctoral researcher file and the graduation scientific paper file are created at the doctoral school secretariat. The files are compiled in printed format and in \*.pdf format.
- (2) The documents for the postdoctoral researcher file and the graduation scientific paper file are prepared by the postdoctoral researcher, the scientific coordinator, and the doctoral school secretariat.
- (3) The postdoctoral researcher file is prepared in printed format and is archived by IOSUD ANIMV on a permanent basis. The graduation scientific

paper file is prepared in printed format and in electronic format (documents \*.pdf). The graduation scientific paper file is archived by IOSUD ANIMV on a permanent basis.

- (4) Expenses related to the drafting and duplication of the graduation scientific paper and those for translating the title and the abstract of the graduation scientific paper into English, for the purpose of creating the graduation scientific paper file, are borne by the postdoctoral researcher.
- (5) The activities for creating the postdoctoral researcher file and the graduation scientific paper file are carried out in accordance with a procedure proposed by the director of the doctoral school, endorsed by the CSD, and approved by the CSUD.
- (6) The procedure is updated whenever necessary and when relevant legislative changes occur.

#### **Article 41**

- (1) After the defense of the graduation scientific paper, IOSUD ANIMV issues, upon request, a certificate attesting the period during which the postdoctoral researcher attended the postdoctoral advanced research program.

### ***Section 16. Hourly scheduling and norming of activities***

#### **Article 42**

- (1) The hourly scheduling of activities within the doctoral university studies programs and postdoctoral studies is carried out by the director of the doctoral school, endorsed by the CSUD director, and approved by the vice-rector/deputy for education, in accordance with the internal regulations of ANIMV.
- (2) The hourly schedule is the supporting document for the execution of teaching, research, and complementary activities within the doctoral school.

#### **Article 43**

- (1) Teaching activities within the training program based on advanced university studies are planned in the hourly schedule of the training program based on advanced university studies, in accordance with the topics designed in the course outlines by the subject coordinators.
- (2) Scientific research activities within the individual scientific research program – the defense of the doctoral thesis/graduation scientific paper project, the defense of scientific research reports, the endorsement of the doctoral thesis / graduation scientific paper, the public defense of the doctoral thesis/graduation scientific paper – are planned in the schedule of the individual scientific research program, in accordance with the requests of the doctoral students / postdoctoral researchers, endorsed by the doctoral supervisors / scientific coordinators. The publication of articles and participation in scientific conferences are not scheduled.
- (3) Complementary activities within the complementary training program are planned in the hourly schedule of the complementary training program, in accordance with the topics designed in the module outlines by the complementary module coordinators.
- (4) The hourly scheduling is modified by the director of the doctoral school,

endorsed by the CSUD director, and approved by the vice-rector/deputy for education, in accordance with the internal regulations of ANIMV.

**Article 44.**

- (1) The norming and recording of activities within the doctoral university study program / postdoctoral advanced research program are carried out in accordance with the values and specifications established in the *Methodology for establishing the academic load in ANIMV*.
- (2) Teaching activities within the training program based on advanced university studies are usually carried out as part of the standard teaching load or on an hourly-paid basis.
- (3) Scientific research activities within the individual scientific research program are usually carried out on an hourly-paid basis or within the standard teaching load.
- (4) Complementary activities within the complementary training program are usually carried out as part of the standard teaching load or on an hourly-paid basis.

**Section 17. Final provisions**

**Article 45.**

- (1) The present *Regulations* enter into force on the date of their approval by the ANIMV Senate.
- (2) The present Regulations are updated whenever necessary and when relevant legislative changes occur.
- (3) On the date the present Regulation enters into force, the *Regulation on the organization and functioning of the "Intelligence and National Security" Doctoral School* (2021, with subsequent amendments and completions) is repealed.