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Additional Requirements for Dissertation Summaries by the HSE University's Dissertation Council for International Affairs and International Regional Studies

1. General requirements

Candidates for a Candidate/Doctor of Science degree are required to present a summary of their dissertation research, both in Russian and English, in which they summarize the dissertation's main ideas and conclusions.

The summary should provide the most comprehensive presentation of the research conducted, its logic, limitations, structure, findings and its place in the respective subject field. The summary should, in so far as possible, provide an unambiguous interpretation of the personal contribution of its author in developing the research problem.

2. The summary should sequentially set forth the following:

- A description of the design of the research (research design):
 - the relevance of the research (research context);
 - a statement of the research problem;
 - a characterization of its current development (literature review), a formulation of the key research question (research question);
 - the aims and objectives of the research;
 - working hypotheses;
 - the scope and limitations of research;
 - a description of the theoretical and methodological foundations (methodology);
 - the research methods employed;
 - the principles used for selecting data sources (selection of empirical data) and characterization of those sources;
- identification of original scholarly research contributions to the subject field;
- description of the practical significance of the results of the research conducted (applied results of the research);

- a succinct presentation of the primary findings and conclusions (the summary of the findings and conclusions);
- statements to be defended;
- a list of the author's publications in which the main findings of the dissertation are included (list of publications relevant to the dissertation work).

3. The summary's size and presentation

The size of the summary for Candidate of Sciences' dissertations shall be from 30,000 to 60,000 characters (including spaces and footnotes) and for Doctor of Sciences' dissertations — from 60,000 to 100,000 characters (including spaces and footnotes).

If the summary is written in Russian, it must conform to the standards provided in GOST R 7.0.5-2008 (the latest version at the moment of turning in documents to the dissertation committee). If the summary is written in English, it must conform to one of the more widespread international academic writing guides: MLA, APA, Harvard Style (BSI), Chicago Style.

The summary must have a title page indicating the institution, in which the dissertation is being presented (The Federal State Autonomous Educational Institution of Higher Education «Национальный исследовательский университет «Высшая школа экономики» / National Research University Higher School of Economics), the author's full name, the topic of the dissertation, the academic degree, the full name(s) and academic degrees of the academic supervisor(s), academic consultant(s), and publication data (city and year).