



## Admission Interview Protocol for TRACK II Applicants (=direct application to PI)

Please make sure that two interviewers (= PIs) are involved in the interview! For University of Zurich and ETH Zurich applicants.

Place

Date/Time

Interview with PhD candidate for

- PSC PhD Program in Plant Sciences
- PSC PhD Program in Science & Policy

Name of PhD Candidate: .....

The candidate fulfills the requirements to be accepted to the PhD program (proficiency in English and at least 4 years undergraduate studies with 270 ECTS credits):

- Yes
- No

The interviewers informed the candidate about the structure of the PhD Program and about additional requirements of University of Zurich (UZH), Faculty of Sciences (MNF) or ETHZ (Swiss Federal Institute of Technology), D-USYS (Department of Environmental Systems Sciences) or D-Biol (Department of Biology). It is the responsibility of the PhD candidate to ensure that she/he fulfills all PhD rules of either UZH or ETHZ and the corresponding faculty or department. Failure to do so can result in not being accepted for graduation. The candidate should contact the program coordinator for questions about these rules or the PhD program in general.

**UZH MNF:** PhD students need an acceptance confirmation from the coordinator of the PhD program(s). Please contact: Melanie Paschke ([paschkme@ethz.ch](mailto:paschkme@ethz.ch)). Together with their PhD supervisor they have to fill out the "Planning teaching hours" form from the Fachbereich Biology for fulfilling a minimum of 100 teaching hours.

The candidate is conditionally accepted to the PhD Program. Final acceptance depends on the formal admission requirements of the University of Zurich and ETH Zurich.

Title, full name, function and affiliation of all experts that interviewed the PhD candidate (minimum of two PIs):

### Interviewer 1:

Title: ..... Name .....



Meeting/Topic **Admission Interview Track II**

Date/Time

Function: ..... Affiliation: .....

Date, Place: ..... Signature: .....

**Interviewer 2:**

Title: ..... Name .....

Funtion: ..... Affiliation: .....

Date, Place: ..... Signature: .....



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**Explanations for Track II interviews:**

- To ensure equal treatment of track I (recruitment via LSZGS) and track II (direct application to PI) candidates and in accordance with the rules of the LSZGS, as of January 2013 group leaders are required to organize a formal admission interview with their future PhD students if recruited via track II. The interview should be conducted in presence of at least one other PI or faculty member and the supervisor should fill out an interview protocol to be submitted together with the registration form.
- The interview, its location and time, should be organized by the direct supervisor.
- Evaluators might want to give grades or pass/fail. The interview protocol might include comments.
- With their signature the evaluators confirm (a) that requirements for PhD studies are fulfilled as stated and that the formal interview included a presentation of the scientific work of the PhD applicant and questions through the evaluators.

Please send the signed document to:

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