Information on Thesis Committee

1. The first meeting should take place latest 6 months after the start of the PhD (applies to track 1 and track 2), and thereafter latest 1 year, 2 years, etc. later (meetings can be called earlier if necessary). Prior to the meetings, the TC members (and the management of the school) should be sent the thesis proposal (1st meeting) or a short progress report (for the following meetings).

2. Whenever possible the meeting should bring together all 3 members. Greater use of videoconference should be made when one of the members is not in Freiburg.

3. A senior postdoc can be a member in a thesis committee but cannot be the chairperson.

4. The meeting should be run in 4 phases: first, presentation by the doctoral student, then discussion with all members, then a discussion with the student only in the absence of the supervisor, if needed a discussion with the supervisor in the absence of the student.