

**Protocol for Joint Doctoral Program
Between
Middle East Technical University
and
École Nationale Supérieure des Mines de Paris**

This protocol is concerned with the conditions and the requirements of how the joint doctoral program between the Middle East Technical University, (hereafter referred to as METU) and École Nationale Supérieure des Mines de Paris (hereafter referred to as ENSMP) will be conducted and the degrees that will be awarded following the completion of this joint doctoral program. It is prepared in accordance with the resolution of 18 January 1994 concerning the joint supervision of doctoral thesis between French and foreign establishments of high education.

Administrative Conditions:

1. The doctoral student will apply separately to the PhD programs of both institutions. The admission of the doctoral student to the PhD programs of each school will be handled separately by the respective schools according to their admission requirements. Each institution is free to admit or reject the application of the doctoral student independent of the other institution. However, this protocol is applicable if and only if the candidate is accepted to the PhD programs of both of the institutions.
2. The doctoral student will be registered in the doctoral programs of both institutions, METU and ENSMP.
3. The student files and records will be kept separately at each of the institutions. However, each institution will keep the other institution informed about the academic progress of the doctoral student and will send to the other institution a progress report and a transcript of the courses taken within that institution.
4. The doctoral student will be considered to be "on leave of absence" from the PhD program of METU for the duration during which he/she is residing in France and vice versa. The duration during which the doctoral student will be residing in France and Turkey will depend essentially on the progress and developments in graduate studies, including courses and research activities, and will satisfy the minimum residence requirement of each institution.
5. The total duration of the joint program for each doctoral student cannot be longer than six years.

Academic Conditions:

6. The courses that the doctoral student will take from ENSMP while he/she is at ENSMP will be counted towards the course requirements for the PhD program of METU, subject to the approval of METU. The same will apply for ENSMP as well.
7. The doctoral student will be responsible to fulfill all the requirements of the doctoral programs of both of the institutions: ENSMP and METU.
8. The doctoral thesis will be supervised by two co-supervisors from METU and ENSMP.
9. The co-supervisors will decide jointly on the successful completion of the doctoral thesis before it is submitted to the jury.
10. Upon successful completion of all the requirements for the doctoral programs of both of the institutions, the doctoral student will prepare only one thesis and there will be only one thesis defense before the joint jury.

