

Extended Abstract Template

[Title of Submission]

[Author Name and Affiliation]

Content of the extended abstract will depend on the stage of your candidature of the doctoral programme. You may/ may not have content ready for all the sections of the template given below. Therefore, you may submit your work as appropriate based on your progress of your doctoral work to date.

1. Introduction

In this section, discuss,

- *The general problem*
- *More specific problem*
- *What your aim is in this study and thereby the objectives*
- *Process in brief (methodology and context)*
- *The contributions*
- *Outline of the extended abstract*

2. Theoretical Background

In this section, discuss as relevant,

- *Relevant theories*
- *Relevant concepts/terms that you use in the study*
- *Relevant previous methods/arguments on which your work is based*

3. Research Model

In this section, discuss as relevant,

- *Overview of conceptual model/ theoretical framework*
- *Proposition/ hypotheses preceded by strong argument as to why it should hold*
 - *Identify dependent/independent variables*
 - *Identify direction of the expected relationships*

4. Methodology

In this section, discuss as relevant,

- *Research approach*
- *Research strategy*
- *Research methods*
 - *Data collection method*
 - *Sampling*
 - *Respondents*
 - *Data analysis methods*

5. Results

In this section, discuss as relevant factual results using the past tense and using graphs and tables.

6. Discussion

In this section, as relevant, using present tense,

- *Summarize the main findings*
- *Interpret the findings*
 - *Why did you find what you found?*
 - *What does it mean in a larger view?*
 - *What do the results tell us about the existing/new theory?*

7. Limitations

In this section, as relevant discuss the limitations of your study

8. Implications

In this section, as relevant discuss

- *Implications to practice - how the study findings change/impact the way that important stakeholders work in actual practice*
- *Implications for research - what have we found that can guide future research*
 - *A new measurement instrument*
 - *A new theory*
 - *Potential extensions of the study*

9. Conclusion

In this section recap briefly the key contributions of the study

10. References