Recruitment 2025/2026

Recruitment form – supervisor/scientific supervisor

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| **APPLICATION OF A POTENTIAL SUPERVISOR in the recruitment process of doctoral students and participants**  **and/or TUTOR/SCIENTIFIC TUTOR of the extramural/external mode (“mode E”) at SWPS University** | | |
| **Name and surname** of the supervisor | **Karol Murlak** | |
| **Name of the research center/research group/artistic group** to which the supervisor belongs |  | |
| **List** of the most important scientific publications, completed and ongoing research grants; link to ORCID and/or to the ResearchGate/Academia.edu profile (or other website presenting scientific/artistic achievements) | **ORCID:** 0000-0001-8194-0501  **Research Gate:**  <https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Karol-Murlak>  **Articles:**  — Expanding wood: Developing and validating a new material, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1386/crre_00068_1>  — Bending and energy absorption performance of novel openwork wooden panels, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00107-022-01795-6>  **Grants:**  — NSF Convergence Accelerator — Track J —750.000,00 USD  https://nsf.gov/awardsearch/showAward?AWD\_ID=2236235&HistoricalAwards=false  — MSCA Doctoral Networks 2022 (HORIZON-MSCA-2022-DN-01) — 2,682,014 EUR  https://codesign4transitions.eu/ | |
| **Discipline** for a future doctoral dissertation (possible: sociology, political and administrative sciences, culture and religion sciences, literary studies, psychology, fine arts and art conservation) | Fine arts and art conservation | |
| **A brief description** of the research directions pursued by the supervisor (a few sentences describing the scientific/artistic specialization; main research problems; scientific interests) and a possible link to the website/research team | I work at the intersection of design and science, creating knowledge through design practice or discovering practical applications for existing knowledge. I am particularly interested in both new and traditional materials—their production, applications, and perception. | |
| **Thematic areas** of planned doctoral dissertations | * Creating new materials and discovering innovative uses for existing materials * Examining the role of physical models in problem-solving * Researching and improving the design process * Exploring and enhancing design education | |
| **Number of people** that the supervisor/scientific supervisor would be able to accept as a result of recruitment in the academic year 2025/2026: | **to the Doctoral School** (doctoral scholarship financed by SWPS University) | Number: 0 |
| **for national and international research projects or grants** (doctoral scholarship financed from grant funds) | Number: 0 Project name: |
| **to the Industrial Doctorate program** (doctoral scholarship financed by the Ministry of Science and Higher Education**)** | Number: 1 |
| **for external mode** (no doctoral scholarship) | Number: 1 |
| **Number** of currently conducted doctorates: | in Doctoral School | Number: 1 |
| in external mode | Number: 2 |
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| **The number of doctoral students promoted so far**, along with the year of completing their doctoral degrees: | 0 | |
| **RECRUITMENT**  **Candidates should contact their selected potential supervisors who are members of centers and/or research teams** | | |
| **Conditions** to be met by the candidate  in the field of: scientific interests; scientific competences; achievements to date; knowledge of foreign languages; social competences; availability, etc. | * Strong problem-solving and analytical thinking skills * Ability to independently complete tasks as part of a larger project * Excellent organizational skills * Fluency in English | |
| **Preferences** regarding contact with the candidate during recruitment | E-mail contact: please provide e-mail address*: kmurlak@sof.edu.pl*  ☐ Telephone contact: *please provide phone number:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*  Personal meetings (*by prior arrangement by e-mail/telephone.)*  ☐ All forms of contact | |
| **Preferred dates, times and location** (in the period  March-June 2025) in order to conduct an interview with the candidate | My calendar is very irregular. Each week I have differently organized classes and meetings. Please confirm availability by e-mail. | |
| **Information** about possible absence preventing candidates from contacting a potential supervisor (with dates) | Vacations form 05.07-15 | |