Annex 2 to letter No. 1027.50.1.2024

Information on the conduct of doctoral dissertation defences (in doctoral dissertation processes and proceedings for the conferment of the doctoral degree) and postdoctoral examinations in a foreign language

1. As per the applicable provisions of the Act of 7 October 1999 on the Polish language (i.e. Journal of Laws of 2021, item 672, as amended) doctoral dissertation defences/habilitation examinations should be conducted in Polish.

2. A doctoral dissertation defence/habilitation examination may be conducted in a foreign language at the request of the candidate and with the consent of the doctoral/habilitation committee.

3. In the case of conducting a defence of a doctoral dissertation/habilitation examination in a foreign language, interpreting (e.g. consecutive) of the defence proceedings should be provided in Polish. A sworn translation is not required.

4. Translation costs are included in the total costs of the proceedings.