



MultiTOUCH

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ESR doctoral degrees awarded

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| Acronyms | |
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| ESR | Early Stage Researcher |



The Early Stage Researcher 1 (ESR1) successfully defended his Ph.D. on January 30, 2024 (see Figure 1), in front of a jury comprising prominent Haptics researchers: Prof. Maud Marchal, Prof. Frédéric Merienne, Prof. Cagatay Basdogan, Prof. André Mouraux, and Prof. Betty Lemaire-Semail. The defence was open to all interested people and was broadcast on Zoom. The Zoom link was shared across academic networks.



Figure 1: Post on X showcasing ESR1 as he takes the oath following the conferral of his doctoral degree.

Due to a delay in the recruitment process, ESR2 and ESR6 started their Ph.D. theses at the beginning of 2021. Consequently, their defence dates have been scheduled a few months after the project's end. The indicative dates for these defences are provided in Table 1. Moreover, it is customary in Belgian universities for the preparation and defence of a thesis to extend beyond 36 months. Therefore, as ESR3 and ESR4 are enrolled in a Belgian Ph.D. program, their thesis defences will take place after the project's conclusion. While Table 1 indicates a public defence in September 2024 for ESR4, the specific date for ESR3's defence is still pending confirmation. Additionally, ESR5 plans to defend her thesis in June 2024.

| | Date of public defence | Date of private defence | Comments |
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| ESR1 | 30/01/2024 | - | figure 1 |
| ESR2 | April 2024 | - | |
| ESR3 | ? | December 2024 | Public defence not yet defined |
| ESR4 | September 2024 | June 2024 | - |
| ESR5 | June 2024 | - | - |
| ESR6 | September 2024 | - | - |

Table 1: Table of defence dates of the ESRs

