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# Application Procedure

## Self-financed PhD

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- Step 1:** Please carefully review our external PhD conditions, the Graduate School Website and the doctoral regulations of the Erasmus University Rotterdam, to see whether you want to apply for external PhD supervision at DRIFT.
- Step 2:** get in touch with your intended supervisor by email in order to make an appointment to discuss your research proposal. Please include a CV, an indication of the time-frame you have in mind and description of your intended research.
- Step 3:** No later than one week before the appointment, you will be required to send a research proposal of approximately 2.000 to 3000, which incorporates:
1. a statement of the research issue, setting out the temporal, geographic and conceptual limits; it's social relevance and the potential contribution of the research to theory and/or policy making;
  2. a specification of the academic link of the research issues with the field of transition studies.
  3. a brief review of the theoretical background and the main analytical approaches to be followed;
  4. a specification of the main expected research methods;
  5. an indication of the amount of time you intend to spend on this the coming years and when do you want to be done.
- Step 4:** Before any commitments can be made, a second supervisor needs to be found. This supervisor also needs to give their approval to the proposal and the time-commitment involved with the supervision.
- Step 5:** agreements will be made between you and both supervisors. On the basis of these agreements a contract will be drafted to be signed by all parties.