**Format for starting a general discussion of your PhD thesis**

*This form can serve as a guide for the PhD candidate to organize his/her thoughts in preparation*

*for a conversation about the thesis, with f.i. the supervisor*

*Try to fill in this form briefly and concisely, but completely (each box). It is not mandatory to use*

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| What are our main findings? (one or two sentences per chapter) | |
| Chapter 1 |  |
| Chapter 2 |  |
| Chapter 3 |  |
| Chapter 4 |  |
| Chapter … |  |

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| Summarize your main findings in one to three sentences total: |
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| Make a drawing/figure of your main findings:  (you don’t need to include this in your thesis, but it may help you in your writing process) |
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| What are important new studies to compare your results with and what did they find?  (one or two sentences per study) | |
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| What are the three most important discussion points related to your main findings and perhaps the findings of other studies? (one or two sentences per discussion point) | |
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| Which conclusions can be drawn or which remarks should be made about the theoretical model(s) that have been used in the thesis? (one to three sentences) |
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| What are the three most important methodological limitations of the studies in your PhD thesis?  (one or two sentence per limitation) | |
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| What are the three most important research priorities within the topic of your PhD thesis?  (one or two sentences per priority) | |
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| What are the three most important recommendations for practice/policy based on your main findings?  (one or two sentences per recommendation) | |
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| What have you written in the introduction that you should not forget getting back to in the discussion?  (one or two sentences) |
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