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Explanation of the declaration of consent in the case of corporate participation

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- Publication of the scientific thesis with the exclusion of individual chapters
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