# Questionnaire for preparing the appraisal talk

The available questionnaire intends to support you to prepare the appraisal talk. Please **just focus on the questions you would like to ask in the talk**; for this purpose, choose explicitly 2 - 3 questions. Of course, it is up to you to ask your own questions.

Tasks of the employee	
Employee	Team leader
REVIEW	REVIEW
Which tasks required a good portion of my time in the past year?	Which tasks required a good portion of the employee's time in the past year?
Which tasks were difficult for me to perform?	To which extent must the job description be updated?
Which tasks did I enjoy performing?	How do I evaluate the work of the employee?
In retrospect, how do I evaluate my work performed?	What were the highlights / what do I evaluate positively
PLANNING	/ negatively
What are the tasks and objectives of our Unit?	How do I come to this evaluation?
Which precise tasks should be performed in the	PLANNING
upcoming year?	What are the objectives and tasks of the Organisational
Which tasks would I like to perform / which tasks	Unit?
would I like to hand over?	What is the relation to the TU Wien?
Which requirements seem to be essential for these tasks?	Which developments do we face?
	What is the contribution (what are the tasks) of the
Which skills do I have for this task?	employee?
Which additional knowledge do I have? (e.g. foreign languages or the like?)	Which project will the employee participate in?
	Which skills are required for it?

Cooperation and leadership	
Employee	Team leader
REVIEW	REVIEW
How do I evaluate the precise working situation?	How do I see the precise working situation?
How do I see the cooperation with my superior?	Is there anything I should have supported more?
Were there any tasks which were a real burden to me?	Do I realise conflicts? Are there any examples I would /
Which conflicts bother me at work? Are there any	should like to address?
precise examples I would like to address?  To which extent is the distribution of work adapted to	To which extent is the distribution of work adapted to the different working hours of the persons in the team?
the different working hours of the persons in the team?	Which measures do I take to avoid interface problems
Do I have the impression that women and men are equally supported?	with part-time employees being involved in the team?
	Are women and men equally supported?
According to my understanding, are women and men equally responsible at work?	Are women and men equally responsible at work?
PLANNING	

Which expectations do I have regarding the cooperation with colleagues and superiors?

Which forms of cooperation with colleagues are helpful for me?

Which support do I need from colleagues / the superior?

How is information distributed?

How could cooperation be improved?

How could processes be improved?

Is there any working burden I am unable to cope with?

#### **PLANNING**

What is the cooperation in the team really like?

To which extent can or should the employee work independently?

Which resources does the employee need to perform the tasks?

Who can support which kind of expertise?

How can I support the employee?

How is information distributed?

How could cooperation be improved?

How could processes be improved?

# Personal working and development objectives

### Employee

#### **REVIEW**

How do I evaluate the achievement of the objectives agreed on?

How do I know that I have (partly) achieved the objective?

What was helpful for achieving the objective?

What has hindered me to achieve the objective?

#### **PLANNING**

Which precise tasks should be performed in the upcoming year?

Which expectations and requests do I have regarding my professional development?

Where do I see myself in 4 years?

Which development potential would I like to use in this course of time?

Which short-/long-term objectives are taken into account?

How do I know that the objective has been achieved?

What have I always wanted to give a try?

Which resources do I need for achieving the objective?

Which obstacles could frustrate the achievement of objectives?

### Team leader

#### **REVIEW**

How do I evaluate the achievement of the objectives agreed on?

Which factors are essential for this evaluation?

To which extent could lacking resources have frustrated the achievement of objectives?

#### **PLANNING**

Which precise tasks should be performed in the upcoming year?

Which perspectives does the employee have for her/his professional development?

Which short-/long-term development objectives are taken into account?

How do we know that the objective has been achieved?

Which resources does the employee need?

How do I as a superior deal with waiting periods and reentry?

Which measures do I actively offer for better compatibility of job and family (how?)?

## Hints for the agreement on objectives

**S – specific** (What exactly should be achieved?)

**M – measurable** (How do we know if the objective has been achieved?)

**A – attractive** (Is the objective attractive and demanding?)

**R – realistic** (Is it possible to achieve the objective given the circumstances?)

**T – time limit** (When is the deadline for the objective to be achieved?)

Professional further development	
Employee	Team leader
REVIEW	REVIEW
Which measures were realised?	Which measures were realised?
What was the benefit therefrom?	What was the benefit therefrom?
PLANNING	PLANNING
Which middle-/long-term requests or expectations exist for further professional development?	Which middle-/long-term requests or expectations exist for further professional development?
Which support / further education do I need to perform my tasks at the TU Wien?	Which further education does the employee need to perform the tasks?
Which measures of further education support the achievement of (long-term) objectives?	Which perspectives does the employee have for her/his professional development?
Which precise steps and measures should be implemented in the following period?	Which further education is recommended for her/him to achieve the objectives?
	Which precise steps and measures should be implemented in the following period?