Concerning the subject reader

Responsibility

The subject reader is responsible for examining the scientific content of the project. As a student you can see the subject reader both as an external reviewer of the project, but also as a resource. When the subject reader has approved your final presentation and report, the examiner, who has the overall responsibility, makes the final judgement.

Support

During the regular meetings with the subject reader (at least every four weeks) you can discuss and receive feedback on the project. That is, the subject reader can come with additional input according to their specific competence. Sometimes, that input can be very valuable! For example, if you have a project where the supervisor is an expert on one aspect of the project, it can be very advantageous to have a subject reader who is an expert on the other aspect.

Criteria

Since the supervisors are often aware of other experts in the field, you and your supervisor can suggest a subject reader. A suitable subject reader works at UU, has a PhD within a relevant field, is not directly involved in the project, and is not in a dependent relationship with the supervisor. That is, the supervisor should for example not be the group leader of the subject reader, but the subject reader should be able to do an unbiased evaluation of the project. The examiner makes the final judgement on if the suggested subject reader is appropriate.