

ACADEMIC, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT

between

Psychologische Hochschule Berlin (PHB), Berlin, Germany

and

The University of Georgia (UG), Tbilisi, Georgia

1. Aims

The aim of this agreement is establishment of academic, scientific and cultural collaboration between the two universities and development of joint academic exchange programs in the field of mutual interest.

2. Sides of the Agreement

Sides in this cooperation are Prof. Dr. Siegfried Preiser Rector, on behalf of the **Psychologische Hochschule Berlin** and Mr. Konstantine Topuria, Rector on behalf of the **University of Georgia** (hereinafter referred to as UG).

Recognizing the mutual interest in establishing and developing a cooperative relationship between the two universities, and within their respective powers, the sides agree on the following:

3. Type of Cooperation

Cooperation between the universities may include:

- i. Undergraduate, master and PhD student exchanges for studies, trainings and/or internships,
- ii. Exchange of faculty members,
- iii. Elaboration of joint research projects,
- iv. Organization of joint seminars, conferences, symposia and public lectures,
- v. Exchange of books, audio-visual materials, publications,
- vi. Development and exchange of curricula,

Depending on these and hereafter cooperation may be extended to other fields. And each condition will require a separate written agreement which will set forth the terms and conditions of the project(s) including but not limited to intellectual property ownership and funding sources. These agreements must be approved and signed by appropriate administrators at each institution.

4. Financial Conditions

No financial commitment is undertaken by the institutions as a result of signing this Agreement. Financial needs such as travel fare, accommodation and health insurance of exchange beneficiaries are met by the exchange subjects. The outgoing students or academic personnel are obliged to have general and health insurances covering the exchange period. The hosting institution does not take any financial responsibility for the incoming students/personnel.

5. Recognition and Validation and Duration

In the case of student mobility or joint study programs, within the framework of international programs or exchanges, a system for mutual academic recognition and validation will be established.

The mentioned system must be described in each specific protocol and be approved by the corresponding academic authorities of each university.

This agreement is drawn in English language in two copies whereas both originals have equal legal value and are kept by

the sides. The agreement will be valid for five (5) years from the date of its last signature. Any amendments to this agreement can only be made in writing through mutual consent of the sides. Such amendments will become an integral part of the agreement.

The suggested changes/cancellation has to be communicated to the other side at least six (6) months prior the designed amendment date. Should the Agreement be denounced, both sides undertake to finish those studies and projects which may be pending completion.

6. Coordination

Each side will nominate a person among related departments/units to be responsible for coordinating and supervising the activities to be carried out within the framework of the agreement

Coordinators ensure that applications are sent at least four (4) months prior to the beginning of a semester. Both sides are supposed to publicize the protocols and advertise the information on their official websites at least four (4) weeks on exchange scholarships, including the details of application requirements, application process and quotas. Students accepted by the second side are not responsible for any kind of tuition at the host institution. However, the students are responsible for all kinds of tuition at their home Institution. Both sides help outgoing or incoming students, faculties or academic staff in obtaining visas and permission for residence. Parties support incoming - outgoing students and faculty members to find a place for accommodation. Also both sides pay maximum attention to guard the rights of incoming students/personnel.

The coordinators will maintain regular contact with each other with the purpose of supporting the development of cooperation.

7. Project Outcomes and Intellectual Property Rights

All the intellectual properties created from the joint activities carried out under this agreement will be possessed by both parties, unless otherwise specified.

8. Supporting the Cooperation

Both sides will insure active cooperation between their liaison persons upon activation of this agreement.

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