

#### AGREEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

#### BETWEEN

#### LUTSK NATIONAL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY, LUTSK, UKRAINE

AND

### AKKON UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED HUMAN SCIENCES, BERLIN, GERMANY

SIGNED BY AKKON UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED HUMAN SCIENCES (AKKON), REPRESENTED BY THE VICE PRESIDENT, PROF. DR. DR. TIMO ULRICHS, AND LUTSK NATIONAL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY (LNTU), REPRESENTED BY RECTOR IRYNA VAKHOVYCH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH HEREIN.

AKKON and LNTU hereby agree to promote links among the institutions in the interests of furthering international and cross-cultural understanding and in promotion of learning, teaching, curriculum development, scholarship and the broader development of the institutions.

### OBJECTIVE

The objective of this agreement is to encourage educational and scientific cooperation and exchange between the two institutions in the following areas:

- exchange of faculty members and research staff (where applicable)
- exchange of undergraduate and graduate students (where applicable)
- joint research projects
- promotion of lectures, research workshops and symposia
- exchange of information and academic publications

The agreement between Lutsk National Technical University (Lutsk, Ukraine) and Akkon University of Applied Human Sciences (Berlin, Germany) may include any appropriate field available at either institution, subject to the prior approval of the partners.

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### EXCHANGE OF STUDENTS/FACULTY

### A. Exchange of Students

- Student exchanges must operate within the existing guidelines and regulations
  of the host institution. Exchange students are expected to adhere to the rules
  and regulations of the host institution and respect the cultural values, national
  traditions and customs of the host country.
- The number of students exchanged under this agreement will be assigned in separate appendix to the agreement. While it is desirable to have a balance in the number of students visiting each institution, it is recognized that temporary imbalances may occur.
- For each exchange, the home institution will be responsible for determining the student candidates. Exchange students must be selected by a special commission at their home institution, and accepted by the other institution.
- All requests for student exchanges must be submitted to the host institution for consideration in advance.
- Exchange students may attend as full-time, non-degree students for a mutually agreed time period.
- The host institution will advise incoming students academically, and provide with accommodation assistance to students. Students will have access to student facilities (i.e. library, computer facilities, etc.), on the same conditions as regular students.
- Exchange students may take courses for credit, and the host institution will issue a transcript and grades for exchange students under the same rules and regulations as for its students.
- All participants in this exchange will be required to obtain adequate health insurance in their own country for the duration of the study period at the host institution. They must also obtain and meet all immunization requirements of the host institution/country before departure.
- Any tuition costs or fees will be waived at all institutions. Students participating in this exchange will be fully responsible for all costs associated with their subsistence while in the host country under this exchange agreement (including all travel costs to and from each institution, accommodation e.g. housing, including meals, medical health insurance and health service fee, passport/visa).

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• Participants will also assume full responsibility for any related expenses associated with this exchange including full responsibility for personal loss or injury, accidents, and illness (including death).

### B. Teaching Exchange and Visiting Scholars

- The institutions will seek to encourage faculty to participate in teaching, research, scholarship, and development of the partner institution. This may be implemented in a number of ways, including visiting faculty, receiving approval for short periods of involvement in teaching, presentations, research, and staff development.
- · The period of exchange will be agreed in writing by both parties.
- Travel and living expenses for professors on teaching exchanges are not compensated by the host institution, unless specific arrangements are made and agreed to in advance.
- In general, professors on teaching exchanges will remain on full salary benefits with their respective institutions.
- Teaching course loads, working hours and conditions will normally be in accordance with established rules and practices of the host institution, subject to prior negotiation and agreement.
- · Remuneration for special projects is subject to special negotiation.
- The host institution will give access to libraries and other needed facilities for professors on teaching exchanges.
- Professors on teaching exchanges must carry health insurance that meets the requirements of the host institution.
- Joint projects and parallel scholarship may also occur in partnership. It is understandable that each project and scholarly activity is subject to prior negotiation and agreement of the parties.



### CONDITIONS OF THE AGREEMENT

The agreement will enter into full force and effect for five years from the date of signing. At the conclusion of the five years term, the institutions will conduct a review of progress. The outcome of this review will serve as a basis for deciding whether to extend the agreement.

Extension of the agreement will take place with the approval of both parties, unless one of the contracting parties confirms in writing its intention to modify or terminate the agreement at least six months in advance. This period is necessary to ensure that exchanges planned or in progress are completed satisfactorily. Any participating students and/or faculty who have commenced at either institution at the date of termination may complete their courses of study.

Any modification to this agreement must be in writing and approved by each institution. Modifications may be proposed at any time, and they will be effective from the date of written notification signed by both institutions.

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