

AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION

between Göteborg University, Kingdom of Sweden, and the
University of Latvia, Riga, Latvia

Appreciating the historic ties uniting the nations of the Baltic
and Scandinavia;

Recognizing our common European heritage;

Realizing our position as smaller nations and the value of our
respective national cultures;

Sharing a profound hope in the future development of Europe
towards greater liberty for and contacts among its citizens;

And promoting the mutually beneficial relations between Sweden
and Latvia, the University of Göteborg and the University of
Latvia conclude the following agreement:

1.

The agreement between the two universities aims at further
development of mutual friendly relations between faculties,
academic staff, and students as well as promotion of research,
education of young researchers and post-graduate students, and
exchange of experience and knowledge acquired in research and
education.

2.

The parties agree that the following principles are fundamental
to their cooperation:

2.1. It should be mutually beneficial;

2.2. It should be based on friendly, frank, and frequent
communication;

2.3. It should involve all fields of education and research
represented at the two universities but initially be focused on
the following areas

- Botany
- Business Administration and Foreign Trade
- Environmental Sciences including Ecotoxicology and
Biological Diversity, Air Pollution, The Aquatic
Environment, and Mathematical Modelling of Ecological
Processes
- Political Science

Social

- ~~Solid~~ Work Studies
- Solid State Physics

3.

The cooperation between the two universities will be accomplished through the following activities:

- 3.1. Exchange of scientific publications, information about the scientific publications, research programmes, study curricula, and syllabi of courses within the areas of cooperation
- 3.2. Exchange of textbooks, manuals, and other instructional material
- 3.3. Exchange of academic staff and students
- 3.4. Invitation of staff and students to active participation in scientific congresses, meetings, and conferences at both universities. Appropriate advance information about such events will be mutually provided.

4.

The exchange programmes will be established on a department-to-department basis enabling professors, lecturers, and researchers in the same field of research at the two universities to propose arrangements of exchange of academic staff and students for scientific and educational purposes.

5.

Proposals of exchange of academic staff and students at the two universities shall be approved by the heads of the respective university departments (institutes.)

The Vice-Chancellors may themselves initiate such exchange.

6.

The exchange of academic staff and students will be based on individual invitations. All professors, lecturers, researchers, and students of the two universities are eligible for invitation. The university inviting or accepting them finances their stay, provides them with lodging in the host-country, and covers the costs for necessary duty trips. The sending university provides them with return tickets to the port of arrival in the host-country.

It is understood that the number of invitations and the duration of stay will depend on the funds available in each case.

7.

If one of the parties should wish to broaden the sphere of academic contacts and cooperation in the other country so as to involve other institutions of learning or higher education, each

of the two parties agree to act on behalf of the other party, as an intermediary in promoting such contacts and cooperation.

8.

The agreement is signed for a period of three years. It can be altered or terminated at any time at the request of one party expressed in writing six months in advance. After the period of three years the agreement is extended automatically for another two-year-period unless a contrary advance notice has been given after one year of each such period.

The plans of cooperation shall be prepared as soon as possible after the signing of the agreement.

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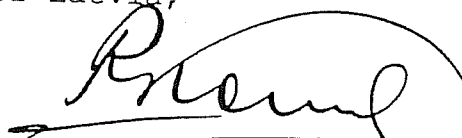
This agreement has been done in four equally authentic copies in English, two of which shall be deposited with each university.

On behalf of Göteborg
University,



Jan Nilson
Professor
Rector

On behalf of the University
of Latvia,



Rihards Kondratovichs
Professor
Prorector

Riga, December 18, 1990.

Bestyrkes i tjänsten