

COLLABORATION AGREEMENT

between the

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PREAMBLE

In recognition of the importance of exchanges in the domains of teaching and research, as well as the special opportunities provided by strengthening contacts between faculty members and students at the two institutions, the University of Geneva and the University of Sarajevo agree to develop programs within the context of the following agreement:

Article 1. General terms

The two participating institutions express their intention to encourage exchanges between students, researchers, professors, and other members of their respective teaching staffs, in all academic fields represented in both Universities. Furthermore, efforts will be directed towards establishing other forms of scholarly collaboration, such as the organization of colloquia, seminars, conferences, and cooperative research projects, including the exchange of relevant academic material.

Article 2. Specific collaborations

As the need arises for specific collaborative activities, individual agreements will be generated to establish their modalities, timing, and financing within the context of the present general agreement.

Article 3. Organization of collaborations

Each participating University will designate its representative for matters relating to academic coordination and the execution of collaborative activities. The representatives will establish the program of exchanges and/or other collaborative programs and provide an annual report of activities.

Article 4. Student exchanges and financial arrangements

The exchanges will be encouraged at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. The candidates will be evaluated by their University of origin and students selected for exchange will be proposed to the partner University. Depending on the academic level of the student and the nature of the studies to be undertaken at the other University, the institution of origin will insure that students selected for exchange possess the requisite language skills.

The exchange students will remain registered in their home University. They may also be registered at the host University, but they will be exempt from tuition charges in the host University, with this arrangement initially limited to five students per year at each institution. Moreover, the host institutions will seek to provide a fellowship for the student participating in the exchange in order to cover housing and other living expenses. In addition, each host University will provide assistance to the students arriving from the other University for obtaining housing in University dormitories or other University-sponsored establishments. Travel expenses will be covered directly by the individual students, or possibly with aid provided by the University of origin.

The minimum length of student exchange will be one semester, but longer periods corresponding to a full-academic year will be encouraged.

Article 5. Faculty member/researcher exchanges and financial arrangements

The present agreement also encourages faculty members and researchers at each of the two Universities to spend a period of time at the other institution. The individuals will be designated by common accord between the two Universities. For such teacher/researcher exchanges, travel expenses will be covered by the University of origin. The host institution will contribute a stipend to be defined according to the specificities of the exchange. In addition, the host institution will provide assistance for obtaining housing.

Article 6. Health and accident insurance

The two Universities will insure that all participants are covered by health and accident insurance during travel and the period of the exchange. If necessary, the host University will provide access to insurance coverage open to its regular students and faculty members.

Article 7. Duration of the agreement

The present agreement will begin at the date of the final signature and remain active for five years. The two Universities may prolong this agreement for a period of three years (with subsequent renewal possible for additional three-year periods) by written commitment to be completed six months prior to the expiration of the present arrangement. In addition, the present document may be amended at any time by a written accord between the two participating institutions, in so far as these amendments do not interfere with any activities in progress. In the absence of prolongation the agreement will lapse at the end of five years.

For the University of Geneva

Professor Maurice BOURQUIN,
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Date: 17 November 1999

For the University of Sarajevo

Professor Dr Nedžad MULABEGOVIĆ,
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Date: 17.11.1999