Collaborative Agreement

between

The University of Sheffield and Fundación Guatefuturo

The University of Sheffield and Fundación Guatefuturo both have an interest in strengthening bilateral co-operation in the field of education between Guatemala and the United Kingdom, and enhancing the links between The University of Sheffield and its academic counterparts in Guatemala. An important means of fostering such co-operation and links is the provision of loan-scholarship opportunities to talented Guatemalan students wishing to pursue graduate degree programs at The University of Sheffield. The purpose of this agreement is to provide shared financing for Guatemalan students at The University of Sheffield, within the framework of a joint graduate loan-scholarship program.

The joint graduate loan-scholarship program will operate as follows:

1. Students in Guatemala interested in the program will seek their admission, following the normal application procedures, and meeting all the standard admission requirements established by The University of Sheffield, including all English language requirements.

2. Students unconditionally accepted by The University of Sheffield will submit a loan-scholarship application to Guatefuturo, following the normal application procedures, and meeting all the standard requirements established by Guatefuturo.

3. Students who are offered a place for full-time study in The University of Sheffield, and who are selected for a loan-scholarship by Guatefuturo, will then be eligible for shared financing under this agreement.

4. The University of Sheffield will provide a scholarship of 10% off the tuition to eligible students.

5. Guatefuturo will provide the remainder of the tuition and fees, as well as a stipend for living expenses, according to its established norms, i.e. up to US$25,000 per year for a maximum of two years. Students will have to provide from other sources any further amount required to meet the full costs of their programme of study.

6. Each institution will designate a named coordinator to implement and monitor the programme. In particular, named coordinators will be responsible for ensuring:

   a) The University of Sheffield provides Guatefuturo with all relevant promotional material and prospectuses in order to encourage interest in its programs in Guatemala.
b) That The University of Sheffield provides all Guatemalan students unconditionally accepted in The University of Sheffield with information about the loan-scholarship program and encourages them to contact and submit an application to Guatefuturo.

c) That Guatefuturo forwards details of the selected students to The University of Sheffield.

d) That the necessary financial arrangements are made for confirmed students.

The named coordinators are:

For The University of Sheffield
Ruth Lauener
Regional Manager, Latin America

For Guatefuturo
Juan José Ramírez Ochoa
Academic Advisor

7. Both institutions will publicise the agreement to prospective Guatemalan graduate students.

This agreement shall remain in force from the date of signature by the undersigned representatives of each party and may be reviewed or renegotiated at the request of either party. Either party may terminate the agreement on thirty days written notice to the other party.

Ruth Lauener
Regional Manager, Latin America
The University of Sheffield

Yolani Soto Menegazzo
Executive Manager
Guatefuturo

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