



Collaborative Agreement between Fundación Guatefuturo and St Mary's University, Twickenham

St Mary's University, Twickenham and Fundación Guatefuturo both have an interest in strengthening bilateral co-operation in the field of education between Guatemala and United Kingdom, and enhancing the links between St Mary's University, Twickenham 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 master and doctoral degrees at St Mary's University, Twickenham. The purpose of this agreement is to provide shared financing for postgraduate study for Guatemalan graduate students ("the Students") at St Mary's University, Twickenham, within the framework of a joint graduate loan-scholarship program ("the program").

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

- 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 St Mary's University, Twickenham, including all English language requirements.
- Students unconditionally accepted by St Mary's University, Twickenham 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 at St Mary's University, Twickenham, and who are selected for a loan-scholarship by Guatefuturo, will then be eligible for shared financing under this agreement.
- 4. Under the program St Mary's University, Twickenham will provide a scholarship of 10% of the tuition fees to all eligible Students.
- 5. Guatefuturo will provide the remainder of the tuition fees and fees, as well as a stipend for living expenses, according to its established norms, i.e. up to U\$\$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 program. In particular, named coordinators will be responsible for ensuring:

- That St Mary's University, Twickenham provides Guatefuturo with all a) relevant promotional material and prospectuses in order to encourage interest in its programs in Guatemala.
- That St Mary's University, Twickenham provides all Guatemalan students b) unconditionally accepted in St Mary's University, Twickenham with information about the loan-scholarship program and encourages them to contact and submit an application to Guatefuturo.
- That Guatefuturo forwards details of the selected students to St Mary's c) University, Twickenham.
- That the necessary financial arrangements are made for confirmed students. d)

The named coordinators are:

For St Mary's University, Twickenham Dr David Reggio International Partnerships Manager

For Guatefuturo Marta Barrera de Donis Coordinadora de Programas

- 7. Both institutions will publicise the agreement to prospective Guatemalan graduate students.
- 8. Nothing in this agreement is intended to or shall be deemed to establish any partnership or joint venture between the parties or constitute any Party as an agent of the other Party.
- 9. No variation of this agreement shall be valid unless it is in writing and signed by or on behalf of each of the parties.
- 10. The parties agree that they will endeavor to settle any dispute arising out of this agreement or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation (including noncontractual disputes or claims) by negotiating with each other in good faith. If the parties are unable to resolve the dispute through negotiation, the parties agree that any dispute between them shall be governed by the law of, and shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of, the country of domicile of the defendant to the action.

11. 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.

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St Mary's University, Twickenham

Yolani Soto Menegazzo **Executive Manager**

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Date: 10.2. 2016

Date: Jan. 21. 2016