Collaborative Agreement between

London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) and
Fundación Guatefuturo

LSE 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 LSE 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 LSE. The purpose of this agreement is to provide shared financing for Guatemalan graduate students at LSE, 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 LSE, including all English language requirements.

2. Students unconditionally accepted by LSE 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 LSE, and who are selected for a loan-scholarship by Guatefuturo, will then be eligible for shared financing under this agreement.

4. LSE will provide a scholarship of 20% off the tuition to two of the eligible students — such students to be selected by Guatefuturo.

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) That LSE provides Guatefuturo with all relevant promotional material and prospectuses in order to encourage interest in its programs in Guatemala.
   b) That LSE provides all Guatemalan students unconditionally accepted in LSE 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 LSE.
   d) That the necessary financial arrangements are made for confirmed students.
The named coordinators are:

For University: 
Ms Cat Todd  
Financial Support Office

For Guatefuturo:  
Marta Barrera de Donis  
Coordinadora de Programas

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.

Andrew Webb  
Mr Andrew Webb  
Deputy Secretary  
LSE

Date: 15/8/13

Yolani Soto Menegazzo  
Executive Manager  
Guatefuturo

Date: 22/08/2013