Collaborative Agreement

between

LUND UNIVERSITY and Fundación Guatefuturo

Lund University and Fundación Guatefuturo both have an interest in strengthening bilateral co-operation in the field of education between Guatemala and Sweden and enhancing the links between Lund University 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 Lund University. The purpose of this agreement is to provide shared financing for Guatemalan students at Lund University, 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 Lund University, including all English language requirements.

2. Students unconditionally accepted by Lund University 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 postgraduate full-time study, for master programmes, at Lund University, and who are selected for a loan-scholarship by Guatefuturo, will then be eligible for shared financing under this agreement.

4. Lund University will provide a scholarship of 25% off the tuition for up to three eligible students per year.

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 Lund University provides Guatefuturo with all relevant promotional material and prospectuses to encourage interest in its programs in Guatemala.

b) That Lund University provides all Guatemalan students unconditionally accepted in Lund University 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 Lund University.

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

The named coordinators are:

For Lund University
Miguel Cornejo Herrera
Region Manager Latin America

For Guatefuturo
Marta Barrera de Donis
Loan-scholarship and Administrative Coordinator

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.

Prof Erik Renström
Vice-Chancellor
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Juan José Ramírez Ochoa
Executive Director
Guatefuturo

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