AGREEMENT of COOPERATION BETWEEN

SAMARA STATE UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS

AND

POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE OF BRAGANCA

Samara State University of Economics (Russia, Samara) and Polytechnic Institute of Bragança (Portugal, Bragança) believe that the expansion and strengthening of scientific and educational exchange and cooperation is of mutual value to both institutions, hereby agree to enter into a cooperative agreement.

1. Purpose of Agreement

The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate research cooperation, the exchange of staff and students and other forms of scientific and educational cooperation between Samara State University of Economics and Polytechnic Institute of Bragança. This agreement establishes the general principles and conditions under which the cooperation will be pursued. Eventual cooperation activities and projects will be subject to more detailed agreements.

2. Scope of Cooperation

Subject to mutual consent, the areas of cooperation will eventually include any programme offered at either university that is felt desirable and feasible on either side and which both sides feel will contribute to the fostering and development of the cooperative relationships between the two universities.

Cooperation may be carried out through such activities as:

- joint research activities and publications in scientific journals of both universities
- implementation of the scientific internships to the Master and PhD students
- · exchange of faculty teachers and staff, exchange of students
- participation in seminars, conferences and academic meetings, use of videoconferences
- special short-term academic programmes
- · development of virtual study modules
- exchange of methodology, teaching materials and documents
- preparation of double degree programs

3. Terms of Cooperation

The terms of cooperation for each specific activity implemented under this agreement shall be mutually discussed and agreed upon in writing by both parties prior to the initiation of that activity.

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Any such agreements entered into, as outlined above, shall bear reference to this cooperative agreement. Each university shall designate a coordination unit to be responsible for the development and coordination of the cooperation activities agreed upon in different fields.

4. Renewal, Termination and Amendment

This cooperative agreement shall remain in force for a period of five (5) years from the date of the last signature and may be extended by mutual agreement. It may be terminated by the appropriate authorities of either party giving six (6) months notice to the other party in writing. An earlier termination date is possible when mutually agreed upon. The agreement may be amended by mutual written consent of the two parties.

This Agreement does not impose any legal and financial obligation to the participating institutions.

This Agreement is signed by the responsible authority of each institution. It will be coordinated by Acting Rector, Prof. Gabibulla Khasaev at Samara State University of Economics and the President of IPB Prof. João Alberto Sobrinho Teixeira at Polytechnic Institute of Braganca. In witness whereof the undersigned, being as representatives of their respective institutions, hereby sign and approve this Agreement in two identical copies in English and Russian languages.

For POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE OF BRAGANÇA

For SAMARA STATE UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS

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Prof. João Alberto Sobrinho Teixeira

Date: 14.0

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ACTING RECTOR: Prof. Gabibulla Hasaev

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