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# ACADEMIC EXCHANGE AND CO-OPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF ANTWERP AND THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF SAINT-PETERSBURG

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### Between

The University of Antwerp, represented by prof. F. Van Loon, rector-president UA, on the one hand

And

The State University of Saint Petersburg, represented by prof. Dr. L. Verbitskaya, rector, on the other hand,

The following agreement has been made:

# Article 1. Purpose of this agreement

The purpose of this agreement is to further academic exchange and co-operation between the University of Antwerp and the State University of Saint Petersburg, hereinafter referred to as the participating institutions.

# Article 2. Forms of co-operation

The forms of co-operation that are envisaged are student exchange, staff exchange and scientific co-operation.

## Article 3. Staff exchange

The participating institutions will endeavour to exchange staff members for short periods of time. The purpose of this exchange is to allow staff members to participate both in the teaching and the research projects of the other institutions. To this end, participating institutions will exchange lists of staff members that are interested in such exchanges.

# Article 4. Scientific co-operation

The participating institutions will endeavour to co-operate scientifically, inter alia by exchanging information concerning current research projects, by promoting contacts between researchers that are active in the same disciplines – in particular staff members preparing doctoral dissertations – and by promoting common research projects.

# Article 5. Student exchange

The participating institutions agree to consider the exchange of postgraduate students which may be the subject of a future agreement.

Article 6. Financial arrangements
Staff exchange and scientific co-operation

The participating institutions agree to seek funding for the purposes of staff exchange and scientific co-operation. The sending participating institution will endeavour to bear the travel costs, the receiving participant university will endeavour to pay for accommodation, depending on funds available and in accordance with the norms of the receiving university.

### Article 7.

- 1. The present agreement will take effect when signed by both parties and can be terminated by either party upon one year's notice.
- 2. This agreement may be modified by mutual consent of the two parties at the request of either.
- 3. This agreement exists in two copies, one for each participating university.

Executed this 21.10 2002

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For the University of Antwerp

For the State University of Saint Petersburg

VERBITSKAYA

Francis VAN LOON

Rector President