



PROTOCOL ON STUDENT EXCHANGE

between

SAINT-PETERSBURG UNIVERSITY, RUSSIAN FEDERATION

and

KOBE UNIVERSITY, JAPAN

Federal State Budgetary Educational Institution of Higher Education «Saint-Petersburg State University» (hereinafter referred to as “Saint-Petersburg University”), duly represented by Deputy Rector for International Affairs Sergey Andryushin, acting on the basis of proxy dated 25.07.2016 № 28-21-258, on the one part,

and

Kobe University, duly represented by its President Professor TAKEDA Hiroshi, acting on the basis of the National University Corporation Act implemented since 1 October 2003, on the other part,

hereinafter collectively referred to as Parties,

in accordance with the Agreement on Academic Cooperation concluded by the Parties on _____ (hereinafter referred to as the “Agreement”), agreed to continue their academic cooperation and have prepared to that effect the following Protocol on Student Exchange (hereinafter referred to as the “Protocol”).

§ 1

1.1. The Parties will conduct exchange of undergraduate and graduate students for non-degree studies in accordance with the rules and regulations set in this Protocol.

§ 2

The Parties agree to set the following terms and conditions for student exchange:

2.1. The total number of exchange students from each Party shall not exceed 4 undergraduate or graduate students for one term or 2 for one academic year (1 year-long exchange student is counted as equivalent to 2 term-long exchange students). In the exceptional cases the exchange period can be prolonged for more than it is stipulated in this Protocol. The Parties strive to distribute the candidates for exchanges evenly throughout the academic year and keep the balance of number of exchange students from each university annually.

2.2. The status of exchange students at Saint-Petersburg State University will be ‘exchange students’ and that at Kobe University will be ‘non-degree special auditing student’ or ‘non-degree special research student’.

2.3. The home university will be responsible for the initial selection of exchange students; however, the host university reserves the right to deny admission to any candidate not meeting its general admission criteria.

2.4. Exchange students will be exempted from paying tuition fees to the host university, but shall pay tuition fees at the home university, if applicable. Exchange students have to pay all other compulsory fees as according to the rules and regulations of the host university. Exchange students shall be informed about all compulsory fees in advance.

2.5. All the expenses related to participation in the exchange in accordance with this Protocol, including visa related expenses, medical insurance expenses, travel expenses as well as accommodation and living costs

and any additional expenses connected to the participation in the exchange shall be covered by the exchange student, or by the home university, or by the third party where available.

2.6. The host university assists the exchange student in arranging accommodation (at Kobe University student residences for Saint-Petersburg University students and at the dormitories of Saint-Petersburg University for Kobe University students).

2.7. All the exchange students should have a medical insurance valid on the territory of the host country during the whole exchange period.

2.8. Students who participate in the exchange program will be awarded grades and credits in accordance with the academic policies and regulations of the host university. All the exchange students receive a transcript of records at the end of the exchange period. If the transcript cannot be given directly to the student in accordance with the host university rules, it shall be put into the home university's disposal not later than one month after the termination of the exchange period.

2.9. Exchange students shall follow the rules of the host university and the law of the host country. Any infringement of the given rules and laws can be subject to pre-term dismissal from the host university.

2.10. All the exchange students will be enrolled on an equivalent base and given the same privileges as the other students in the host university.

2.11. The Parties will assist exchange students in all practical and academic matters, especially concerning obtaining visa, accommodation, and academic integration.

§ 3

3.1. The Parties can, by mutual written consent, introduce changes and additions to this Protocol in order to improve the effectiveness of cooperation.

3.2. Each Party shall not use names and logos of the other Party without its prior written consent, if not related directly to the performance of obligations under the present Protocol, except as provided by law.

3.3. This Protocol will come into effect from the date of signing and will remain in force as long as the Agreement of Academic Cooperation between the two universities is valid, but may be renewed by mutual written consent unless either party terminates it by giving the other twelve (12) months prior written notice. In the event of termination any exchanges already underway shall be allowed to be completed.

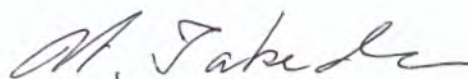
3.4. Should any dispute, disagreement or claim arise between the Parties in concern of this Protocol, the Parties shall try to settle them by negotiations.

This Protocol is prepared in two original copies in English and each party will retain one copy.

For Federal State Budgetary Educational Institution
of Higher Education «Saint-Petersburg State
University»


Sergey Andryushin
Deputy Rector for International Affairs
Date: 25 Nov. 2016

For Kobe University



Professor TAKEDA Hiroshi

President

Date: 25 Nov. 2016