



Senate

Paper Title	Partnerships Board Executive Summary: September 2016 to 30 November 2016
Outcome requested	Senate is asked to note the PB Executive Summary.
Points for Senate members to note and further information	This paper summarises the business of PB from July 2016 to 30 November 2016.
Questions for Senate to consider	
Regulatory/statutory reference points	QMUL is required to comply with the indicators of sound practice detailed in Chapter B10 of the UK Quality Code for Higher Education, managing higher education provision with others. The Partnerships Board undertakes detailed scrutiny of QMUL's partnership activity on behalf of Senate.
Strategy and risk	PB role is to evaluate and monitor risk of QMUL partnership arrangements, and to consider relevant policies and procedures.
Reporting/consideration route for the paper	This paper is a report to Senate.
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PARTNERSHIPS BOARD

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Terms of Reference and Membership

1. Board membership currently consists of:

Chair: Vice Principal International
Deans for Taught Programmes
Chief Strategy Officer
Deans for Research;
Academic Registrar and Secretary to Council (or nominee);
Director of Marketing and Communications (or nominee);
Student representative.

In attendance:

Deputy Academic Registrar, ARCS
Deputy Director Marketing and Communications
Head of International Partnerships

2. The Terms of Reference (TORs) and Board Membership composition for 2016-17 were confirmed at PB meeting on 11 October. There had been a small change in point 4 of the TORs to indicate that PB would receive reports from **major** partnerships and not from the Steering Committees as previously stated.
3. The Partnerships Board meets monthly. During the reporting period, PB has held two meetings: on 11 October and on 22 November.

Consideration of new partnership proposals and renewals

4. The Board considers new partnership proposals with both UK and international partners and evaluates any risk involved. During the reporting period, PB has considered 30 collaborative proposals:

Collaborative proposal	Brief description	Status
MA in Urban History and Culture with ULIP - History	A new MA through collaboration between History and ULIP: Single University of London award	Approved. New contract with ULIP to include the programme.
'Global Cities: Paris and London'	Summer School Programme with ULIP and ACCENT	Academic approval from TPB required. To be included in new ULIP contract.

Universitas Gadjah Mada, Indonesia (SPIR)	Study Abroad Agreement	Agreement approved and signed.
Erasmus+ Programme Agreements SLLF, History, SPIR, Dentistry, Law	Staff and student mobility with the following institutions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland • Universidade do Minho, Portugal • Humboldt-University, Germany • Bocconi University, Italy • Utrecht • Karolinska, Sweden 	PB has approved the partners and the related Agreements.
Monash University, Australia	MOU and Study Abroad/Student Exchange Agreement	Approved and signed.
Strathmore University, Kenya – CCLS	Progression agreement	Agreement in the process of being signed.
Centre for Global Technology Business Research - Airyzone Limited, China - SBM	Research sponsorship	Pending further discussion.
Kobe University, Japan	Exchange Agreement	In the process of being signed.
Communication University of China, CUC	Progression Agreement - EECS	Agreement is work in progress.
University of Mary Washington	Study Abroad Agreement	Agreement approved and signed.
VIT University (Vellore Institute of Technology)	PhD fee waiver in S&E	Agreement approved and signed.
Northwest Polytechnic University	Renewal of Articulation Agreement	New mapping to be submitted to TPB
Donghua University	Renewal of Articulation Agreement	New mapping to be approved by TPB.
International Medical University, Malaysia	Renewal of Articulation Agreement, SMD	New mapping to be approved by TPB.
Zhengzhou University Barts Cancer Institute	Renewal of Research Agreement and Sino-British	Agreement to be checked by lawyers.

	Research Centre for Molecular Oncology.	
Open University	Articulation Agreement - School of Physics and Astronomy	Agreement to be revised.
Haluoleo University, Indonesia	MOU – SBCS for research permits	MOU signed.
Indonesia Endowment Fund for Education (LPDP)	Scholarship Agreement	Approved. Agreement to be finalised.
National Taiwan University (NTU) - CCLS	4+1 and 1+1+1 arrangements onto CCLS programmes.	Approved - Agreement is work in progress.
Qafqaz University – Azerbaijan – SEF	4+1 Progression agreement	Deferred for further information.
Institute for the International Education of Students (IES Abroad)	Study Abroad Agreement	Approved - Agreement is work in progress.
Shanghai University of Finance and Economics (SUFE) – SBM	Extension of Study Abroad and Exchange Agreement	Approved – Agreement work in progress.
Shanghai University of Finance and Economics (SUFE) – CCLS and SLLF	Extension of the 1+1+1 Progression agreement	Approved – Agreement is work in progress.
Beijing Intellectual Property Court – CCLS	MOU to support collaborative IP activities.	Approved. MOU is work in progress.
Central Electronics Research Institute, India (CSIR) - SEMS	General MOU for research collaboration	Approval pending to sign off by Head of School and finalisation of agreement.
Monash University – QMUL Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies	Extension of existing MOU	Approved. MOU work in progress.

Work on policies and procedures

5. PB has considered the following proposals for revision of current policies and procedures:

6. PB discussed the QMUL International Partnerships Ethical Policy. The updated document has been discussed at QMSE and will be submitted for the next Senate meeting.
7. PB approved a Declaration of Personal Interest to be used by academic or administrative staff who submit new collaborative proposals.
8. PB considered the revised processes for the approval of collaborative proposals included in Chapter 7 of the Education Manual (formerly Quality Handbook). This has now been approved by Education Quality Committee.
9. PB discussed and commented on the revised procedures for the monitoring and review of collaborative provision included in Chapter 7..

Meetings in 2016-17

10. PB will hold the following meetings in 2016/17:

2016:

Tuesday 11 October
Tuesday 22 November
Thursday 15 December

2017:

Tuesday 14 February
Tuesday 14 March
Tuesday 16 May
Tuesday 13 June
Tuesday 11 July