



**Senate**

<b>Paper Title</b>	Partnerships Board - Executive Summary
<b>Outcome requested</b>	Senate is asked to <b>note</b> the PB Executive Summary.
<b>Points for Senate members to note and further information</b>	This paper summarises the business of PB from 30 November 2016 to 28 February 2017.
<b>Questions for Senate to consider</b>	
<b>Regulatory/statutory reference points</b>	<p>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.</p> <p>The Partnerships Board undertakes detailed scrutiny of QMUL's partnership activity on behalf of Senate.</p>
<b>Strategy and risk</b>	PB role is to evaluate and monitor risk of QMUL partnership arrangements, and to consider relevant policies and procedures.
<b>Reporting/consideration route for the paper</b>	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 Partnerships Board meets monthly. During the reporting period, PB has held two meetings: on 15 December 2016 and on 14 February 2017.

#### Consideration of new partnership proposals and renewals

3. The Board considers new partnership proposals with both UK and international partners and evaluates any risk involved. During the reporting period, PB has considered 13 collaborative proposals and 8 Agreement renewals.

Collaborative proposal	Brief description	Status
Collaboration with ESCP Europe ((Ecole Supérieure de Commerce de Paris) - CCLS	Double LLM/MBA based on the MBA of the ESCP Europe and the LLM of CCLS	PB approved Stage 1 Partnerships and Programme Proposal. TPB to consider Part 2 of the detailed academic case.
Fairfield University, USA	Study abroad Agreement	Approved by PB. Agreement has been signed.
Sino-UK Research Centre with Renmin	General Research Agreement to cover Commercial Law, Economics and Business.	Approved. To be finalised with partner.

University and Tsinghua University - CCLS		
Torcuato di Tella (UTDT) School of Law, Argentina - School of Law	Exchange Agreement to add additional study abroad opportunities to the current Global Law four year programme.	Approved. Agreement has been signed.
University of Electronic Science and Technology of China (UESTC) – EECS	Progression Agreement: 1+1+1 onto MSc by Research in EECS from UESTC.	Approved. Agreement to be signed.
University of Electronic Science and Technology of China (UESTC) – SEMS	Renewal of 3+2 UG Articulation and 4+1 Progression Agreement (SBM)	Approved by PB. New mapping to be submitted to TPB.
Hunan University with EECS	Progression Agreement: 1+1+0.5 and 3+1+1	Approved. Agreement has been signed.
Skidmore College, USA	Study Abroad Agreement	Approved. Agreement to be signed.
Erasmus+ Agreements	<p>Renewal of Erasmus+ Agreements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hannover University – SLLF</li> <li>• University of Trento – Geography</li> <li>• University of Milan – WHRI</li> <li>• Sapienza University - SPA</li> <li>• Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne - Law</li> <li>• Panthéon-Assas Paris 2 - Law</li> </ul> <p>New Erasmus+ Agreement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pompeu Fabra (UPF) - SLLF</li> </ul>	All renewals and new agreement approved.
National University of Science and Technology, Pakistan (NUST): SBM and EECS	4+1 and 1+1 Progression Agreement onto Masters programmes in EECS and SBM.	Approved. Agreements to be finalised and signed.
Universities: Gadjah Mada, Sichuan and OP Jindal Global	Addition of CCLS/School of Law and School of Geography to existing Progression Agreements.	Approved. Agreements to be updated and signed.

University Padjadjaran, Indonesia – CCLS and Law	Progression Agreement 1+1 and 4+1	Approved. Agreement to be finalised and signed.
ESCP (Ecole Supérieure de Commerce de Paris) and CCLS	New proposal leading to an ESCP Masters and QMUL LLM.	PB has required additional information on the proposal for the March meeting.
East China University of Science and Technology (ECUST) - SEMS	Renewal of Articulation (3+2) and Progression Agreement (4+1)	Approved by PB. Mapping for Articulation to be submitted to TPB before finalising Agreement.
Institut Ramon Llull, Spain	Addendum to Agreement confirming Parties' contribution to the support of the Centre for Catalan Studies and the teaching of Catalan at QMUL.	Approved through Chair's action. Renewal of Agreement and consideration of the partnerships to be formally discussed at PB in 2017-18.

### Partnership Reports

4. PB has considered the following annual reports:

- i. Annual Partnership Report prepared by IPO: this assessed the performance of QMUL's International Partnerships and covered articulation and progression arrangements.
- ii. Annual update on agency relationships: QMUL's network of overseas representatives which covered the following aspects: management of international agents; QMUL standard agent contract; effectiveness of agents through an analysis of QMUL's commission spent in 2015-16.

Reports from JP or other major partnerships:

- iii. UG Laws with University of London International Academy(ULIA) and UG Laws Consortium;
- iv. PG Laws – part of University of London International Academy (ULIA) with UCL; Programme Director's summary;
- v. Global Shakespeare;
- vi. Joint Programme with Nanchang University;
- vii. Joint Programme with BUPT;
- viii. MSc Plant and fungal Taxonomy diversity and conservation with Kew
- ix. Intercalated BSc in Pre-Hospital Medicine (Institute of Health Studies) with The Institute of Pre-Hospital Care Limited - London's Air Ambulance.

### Consultation papers

5. PB made recommendations on the QMUL submission for the QAA Consultation on Transnational Education Review.

## Chair's business

6. The following matters were discussed under Chair's business:

- QMUL Summer School project;
- Erasmus + International Credit Mobility (ICM) application;
- TNE Growth.

## Meetings in 2016-17

7. PB holds 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**