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Paper Title	Vice-Principal's (International) Advisory Group Executive Summary
Outcome requested	Senate is asked to note the paper.
Points for Senate members to note and further information	The purpose of the Advisory Group is to advise on the implementation of the International Strategy and monitor progress against agreed targets
Questions for Senate to consider	The paper is provided for information . This report provides an update on the main items discussed at its meeting on 11 May 2017.
Regulatory/statutory reference points	Under the QMUL Delegation Framework, the VP (International) has responsibility for the leadership of cross-QMUL international activities and the development and delivery of the QMUL International Strategy.
Strategy and risk	VPIAG role is to review and make recommendations in relation to the risk register for international activities
Reporting/consideration route for the paper	For report to Senate.
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VICE-PRINCIPAL INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY GROUP EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Terms of Reference and Membership

1. Group membership consists of:

Chair: Vice Principal International
Executive Officer (International)
Dean for Taught Programmes (Science & Engineering)
Dean (International) (Science & Engineering)
Faculty representatives from HSS, S&E and SMD
Deputy Dean for Recruitment and International, HSS
VP Education, Students' Union
Director of Student Services
Deputy Director of Marketing & Communications
Academic Registrar & Council Secretary
Academic Lead for Study Abroad
Academic Lead for Outward Student Mobility
Academic Lead for International Student Experience
Director of the Language Centre
JP Programme Director

2. The updated Membership composition was confirmed at the VPIAG meeting on 9 February.

Summary of VPIAG meetings

3. During the reporting period (February to May 2017), VPIAG has held one meeting on 11 May 2017.

Summary of the meeting held on 11 May 2017

For a full set of notes please contact the Secretary: r.vasiliu-mciver@qmul.ac.uk

4. There follows below a summary of the main areas of discussion at the Advisory Group to the Vice-Principal (International) meeting held on 11 May 2017.

5. Regional Interest Groups

VPIAG received a report on existing Regional Interest Groups (RIGs) and discussed the following points:

- i. The effectiveness of existing RIGs;
- ii. Feasibility of establishing further Groups;
- iii. Means of enhancing effective communication;

iv. Ownership of current and future RIGs and SYMPA mail-base lists.

6. Update on incoming and outgoing student participation in mobility programmes for 2017/18

VPIAG received an update about incoming and outgoing student participation in mobility programmes based on the number of applications received so far from associate students for entry in autumn 2017, and numbers of students on outgoing mobility through Erasmus+ and International Exchange.

7. International Student Recruitment Update

VPIAG noted that PGT recruitment looked promising so far with a higher number of firm acceptances of EU and international students than in the previous year. While the recruitment of UG students had decreased in certain schools, it was expected that this would be compensated through the clearing process.

8. ALSA Report (Academic Lead for Study Abroad)

The report focused both on visits undertaken to the US to meet new partner institutions interested in sending students to QMUL and also on discussions with QMUL School Study Abroad co-ordinators aimed at identifying ways of attracting associate students.

9. Update on partnership applications

The Group received an update on partnership applications and noted that 100 applicants for articulation and progression arrangements had been received from a more diverse range of partners than in previous years.

10. Outward Mobility Report

VPIAG received an update from the Academic Lead Outward Mobility. The report covered the following points:

- i. Four-Year Degree programmes with a year abroad;
- ii. Bursaries and Widening Participation;
- iii. Study Abroad Coordinators;
- iv. Capturing information.

Meetings in 2016-17

11. The following meetings were held in 2016-17:

Thursday 6 October 2016
Thursday 9 February 2017
Thursday 11 May 2017

12. The following meeting dates have been confirmed for 2017-18:

Tuesday 10 October 2017
Wednesday 14 March 2018
Thursday 28 June 2018