



**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 25 May to July 2017.
<b>Questions for Senate to consider</b>	N/A
<b>Regulatory/statutory reference points</b>	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.
<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: Academic Lead for Internationalisation  
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  
Head of International Partnerships  
Head of Global Opportunities  
Executive Officer (International)

2. Terms of Reference (TORs) and Board Membership composition for 2017-18 will be confirmed at PB meeting on 17 October.
3. The Partnerships Board meets monthly. During the reporting period, PB has held two meetings: on 12 June and 11 July 2017.

#### **Partnerships Board**

##### **Terms of Reference 2017/18 (to be confirmed)**

On behalf of Senate, to undertake scrutiny of QMUL's partnership activity.\*

1. To review policies and procedures for the development and management of new partnerships, based on risk and proportionality, within the context of best practice in the sector.
2. To consider outline business plans, risk assessments and due diligence documentation as part of the approval of proposed new partnerships and other initiatives involving one or more external partners.
3. To liaise as appropriate with Taught Programmes Board, Professional Doctorate Committee and Research Degrees Programmes and Examination Board over the approval and review of collaborative programmes.

4. To receive reports from major partnerships.
5. To oversee an annual review of existing partnerships and monitor progress against agreed targets at regular intervals.
6. To take an overview of the Register of Collaborative Provision.
7. To refer partnership proposals of strategic significance to Queen Mary Senior Executive (QMSE) for consideration.
8. To advise Senate on the development, promotion and performance of partnerships both in the UK and overseas.

\* 'Partnership activity' means:

- a) all courses and programmes of study (including postgraduate research and professional development activities) leading to academic credits and/or awards of QMUL that are delivered, assessed or supported (financially or otherwise) through an arrangement with an external organisation;
- b) all research or knowledge transfer activity which is supported externally and where the source of support may present a reputational risk for QMUL;
- c) all major external partnerships for the purposes of research and/or knowledge transfer.

#### 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 21 collaborative proposals.

Collaborative proposal	Brief description	Status
Ateneo de Manila University (AdMU) EECS	Double Degree Masters programme in Big Data Science	Approved by PB. Submission to TPB pending EQSB decision.
Ateneo de Manila University (AdMU)	Double Degree Masters programme in Digital Innovation in Media and Arts Technology (DIMAT)	Approved by PB. Submission to TPB pending EQSB decision.
Ateneo de Manila University (AdMU) EECS	4+1 Progression Agreement and Study Abroad	Approved by PB. Agreement not signed yet.
Anglo Educational Services College-wide	Study Abroad Agreement	Approved by PB. Agreement has been signed.
University of Redlands,	Study Abroad Agreement	Approved by PB.

USA		Agreement has been signed.
Collaboration with Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology (TUAT) and BUPT	Study Abroad Agreement (for top JP students)	Approved by PB. Agreement is work in progress.
University of Dhaka	PhD fee waiver in Science and Engineering	Approved by PB.
KTH Stockholm (Royal Institute of Technology  Science and Engineering	General MOU	Approved by PB through Chair's action.  Agreement to be signed on 27 September.
Universitas Padjadjaran (UNPAD), Indonesia.  William Harvey Research Institute – Centre for Sports and Exercise Medicine	Double Degree Masters combining the UNPAD MSc in Biomedical Sciences (with specialism in Sports Medicine) and the QMUL MSc in Sports and Exercise Medicine	Approved by PB.  Detailed academic case to be submitted to PB in 2017-18.
Historic Royal Palaces (HRP)  School of Business and Management	MA in Heritage Management	Approved by both PB and TPB.  Agreement still work in progress.
Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro (PUCRIO)  SPIR	(i) General MOU; (ii) 4+1 and 1+1 Progression Agreement and (iii) UG student Exchange Agreement	Approved by PB. Not signed yet.
IMO International Maritime Law Institute, Malta (IMLI)	1+1 Progression Agreement ('co-operative' Masters arrangement)	Approved by PB. Agreement not signed yet.
Renmin University of China (RUC), Business School  CCLS	1+1 progression Agreement	Approved by PB. This arrangement has been put on hold pending further exploration with the partner.
SAGE Publications Ltd  Blizard Institute	Arrangement to publish dissertation work for students on MSc Burn Care.	Not approved. Institute to consider a different scheme to encourage publication.
Tate Modern Museum	Agreement to enable QMUL to	Approved by PB.

School of English and Drama	participate in Tate Exchange Scheme	Agreement is work in progress.
Minzu University of China (MUC)  Science and Engineering	Progression and Study Abroad Agreement	Approved by PB. Not signed yet.
Federal University of Paraná (FUP), Brazil.  SLLF	Research Agreement	Approved by PB. Signed by QMUL.
Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey – ITESM  College wide	Student Exchange Agreement	Approved by PB. The signing of the Agreement is pending.
King Saud University, Saudi Arabia  All Faculties.	Split-site, joint PhD supervision (QMUL award)	Approved by PB. Agreement work in progress.
The College at Brockport, State University of New York  College wide	Study Abroad Agreement	Approved by PB. Agreement has been signed.
Renewal of Memo of Understanding with the University of Malaya  Engineering and Dentistry	MOU	Approved by Chair's action. MOU signed.

### Chair's business

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

- Annual Programme Review of Collaborative Provision (APR CP)
- VP International visit to Hunan University
- Visit to South Asia

### Meetings in 2016-17 and 2017-18

6. PB meetings held in 2016/17:

Tuesday 11 October  
Tuesday 22 November  
Thursday 15 December  
Tuesday 14 February  
Tuesday 14 March  
Tuesday 16 May  
Tuesday 12 June  
Tuesday 11 July

7. PB meetings to be held in 2017-18:

17 October 2017  
14 November 2017  
5 December 2017  
13 February 2018  
27 March 2018  
15 May 2018  
12 June 2018  
10 July 2018