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Paper Title	Partnerships Board		
. apo. mio	Executive Summary: 1st October to 20 November 2015		
Outcome requested	Senate is asked to <b>note</b> the PB Executive Summary.		
Points for Senate members to note and further information	This paper summarises the business of PB from October to 20 November 2015.		
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 consists of:

Chair: Vice Principal International Deans for Taught Programmes

Chief Strategy Officer;

Special Advisor to the Principal on China Operations;

Deans for Research;

Academic Registrar and Secretary to Council (or nominee);

Director of Marketing and Communications (or nominee);

Student representative.

- 2. Terms of Reference (TORs) and Board Membership composition for 2015-16 are attached. These have been confirmed at PB meeting on 17 November.
- 3. The Partnerships Board meets monthly. During the reporting period, PB has held one meeting on 17 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 21 collaborative proposals:

Collaborative proposal	Brief description	Status
University of Peking CCLS	1+1+1 arrangement at masters level; 4+1 arrangement for UG students to complete their LLB then apply to join QMUL LLM.	PB approved the proposal. The Agreement has been signed.
East China University of Political Science and Law (ECUPL) CCLS	Research co-operation and staff exchange in the area of international financial law	PB approved the proposal. Agreement has been signed.
Zhejiang University Dentistry	Memo of Understanding	Approved by Chair's action and confirmed by PB. MOU signed.
Shanghai University of	1+1+1 (Masters programme at	Approved by Chair's

Finance & Economics (SUFE) Schools: SEF, SBM, SMS and SPIR	SUFE and Masters at QMUL)	action and confirmed by PB. Agreement signed.
Camões Institute, Portugal Protocol of Co-operation and addendum to an Agreement signed in 2014. SLLF	Resource assistance for the teaching of Portuguese and Portugal's Culture	Approved by Chair's action and confirmed by PB. Agreement signed.
Energy Charter Secretariat (ECS) CCLS	MOU: traineeship opportunities in Brussels	The agreement is being finalised with partner.
Erasmus+ Programme Agreements	Staff and student mobility with the following institutions:  • Freie University Berlin and SPIR • Stockholm University & Department of Law • University of Milano & CCLS • University of Padua & Department of Law • Comillas Pontifical University / ICADE and SBM	PB has approved the partners and the related Agreements.
Sydney University  All Schools except Law and SMD	Exchange Agreement	Approved through Chair's action and confirmed by PB. Signed.
International Team for Implantology (ITI), Switzerland Dentistry	Co-operation agreement on CPD activities	Approved through Chair's action and confirmed by PB. Agreement finalised.
Joint Programmes with Northwestern Polytechnical University (NPU) SEM	Two dual degree programmes: within the JEI framework (Joint Education Institute):  BEng Materials Science and Engineering BEng Polymer Materials Science and Engineering programmes	Approved by PB. Academic details to be considered by TPB.
Collaborative proposal with Sorbonne Paris I CCLS	Double degree LLM programme with Sorbonne.	PB approved the partnership. A number of issues to be clarified

Collaborative proposal with Higher Education Council (HEC) Pakistan  S & E schools and HSS (SLLF, SoL, SBM and SoG)	HEC to provide funding for the living costs and bench fees for PhD students from Pakistan who meet QMUL entry requirements.	before submission to TPB for academic consideration.  PB approved the proposal. Agreement work in progress with some point requiring clarification.
Collaborative proposal with Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), India SEMS, SEF and SBM	General MOU and 1+1 Masters agreement	PB approved the proposal. Agreement work in progress.
University of Kufa, Iraq: EECS	Articulation Agreement onto year 2 of QMUL degrees after two years at Kufa.	PB approved the proposal. Module mapping to be submitted with the Part 2 proposal to TPB
Collaboration with Waseda University, Japan SEF and SPIR	Exchange Agreement and MOU	PB approved the proposal. Agreements to be finalised.
Agreement with Colfuturo (Agency, Columbia) HSS and S&E	Grants for Colombian students wishing to study overseas; these cover two years' of stipend.	PB approved the proposal subject to clarifying a number of points covering Schools' contribution and students' obligation.
Collaborative proposal with University of Malta (School of Medicine) SMD	General co-operation covering the following areas: research, joint sharing of clinical resources in Malta and the possible ad hoc use of academic staff for in School teaching.	PB approved the co- operation. No agreement is envisaged at this stage.
Collaboration with Khon Kaen University, Thailand SMD	Renewal of MOU: research collaboration and student and staff exchanges.	PB approved the renewal.
University of Miami All Schools except Law and SMD	Renewal of student exchange agreement	PB approved the renewal. Agreement has been signed.

# **Meetings in 2015-16**

5. PB will hold the following meetings in 2015/16:

Tuesday 17 November Tuesday 15 December

Tuesday 16 February Tuesday 22 March Tuesday 17 May Tuesday 21 June

Tuesday 19 July