

Statement of Cooperation
between
the Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Culture
of the Republic of Austria
and
the City University of New York, United States of America
concerning cooperation in science and research

In recognition of the excellent and long-standing cooperation based on mutual trust and benefit between the City University of New York, United States of America and the Austrian Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Culture, hereinafter referred to as “sides”, hereby announce their intention to engage in future cooperation as follows:

Article 1

Both sides welcome and encourage the manifold cooperation activities between the City University of New York and Austrian Universities and Universities of Applied Sciences in Teaching and Research.

Article 2

Both sides welcome and endorse the signing of the Memorandum of Agreement between the City University of New York and the Austrian Universities (Graz University of Technology, University of Graz, University of Innsbruck, University of Leoben, University of Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences, University of Salzburg, University of Vienna, Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration, Vienna University of Technology) on Mutual Recognition of University Degrees and of the Memorandum of Agreement between the City University of New York and the Austrian Universities of Applied Sciences represented by the Association of Universities of Applied Sciences, Austria (FHK) on Mutual Recognition of University Degrees aimed at facilitating trans-atlantic mobility.

Article 3

Both sides welcome and endorse the cooperation between the City University of New York and the University of Graz in the framework of the “Joint Degree in English and American Studies in the Alps Adriatic Region” aimed at the development of a joint study program recognized by all participating Universities.

Article 4

Both sides take note of the positive development of the rotating Austrian Junior Visiting Professorship funded by the Austrian Ministry for Education, Science and Culture established in 2003 for three years at the City College of the City University of New York and the successful bilateral cooperation between the City University of New York and Austrian Universities supported by special travel grants of the Austrian Ministry for Education, Science and Culture.

Article 5

Both sides welcome the extension of the cooperation in 2005 through the successful participation of Austrian students and graduates in the first Junior scientists conference at the City University of New York and welcome the idea of a follow up Junior scientists conference to take place at the Vienna University of Technology in 2006.

Article 6

Both sides encourage the Austrian scientific community and the scientific community in the New York City area to cooperate in the framework of European Union Programs in higher education and research and to fully make use of existing instruments of funding for bilateral and international cooperation on both sides.

Article 7

The present statement of cooperation shall take effect upon the date of signing.

The present statement of cooperation does not result in the creation of any new obligations regarding international law nor shall it have any effect on existing legislation.

Signed on July 5, 2005 in Vienna



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