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## LETTER OF INTENT

The City College of the City University of New York, United States of America, hereinafter called the City College, and the Austrian Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Culture, hereinafter called the Ministry

- having a common interest in cooperation as a part of a wider cooperation between the
  United States and Austria, particularly
- with a view towards establishing stronger ties between the Austrian scientific community and the scientific community in the New York City area
- expecting to obtain mutual benefit from this cooperation

have agreed as follows:

## Article 1

This Framework-Cooperation between the City College and the Ministry shall help to supplement the cooperation between the City College and Austrian universities. At present co-operation already exists between the City College and the following Austrian universities:

Vienna University of Technology (formal agreement)

University of Vienna

Donau-Universität - Krems

#### Article 2

A rotating Austrian Junior Visiting Professorship will be established for three years.

Applicants will be highly qualified junior university staff.

The *profile* of the rotating Austrian Junior Visiting Professorship will be provided by the City College.

The program is principally open to all fields. However, two one-semester stays should be specifically dedicated to the field of science/mathematics education.

The selection of the person holding the Austrian Junior Visiting Professorship will be made jointly by the City College and the Ministry.

Duration: professional appointments will be for one semester

Salary: provided by the Ministry according to the Austrian salary scheme

The City College will provide administrative support regarding practical aspects (e.g. finding accommodations, securing health assurance, etc.)

## Article 3

To facilitate a deepening of the cooperation and to work out a detailed program regarding the Junior Visiting Professorship Program each side nominates a contact person in charge of the administration of the program. The costs for the administration will be borne by each side for its respective coordination/administration unit.

# Article 4

Additional support (e.g. scholarships for students, travel grants) for co-operation between individual Austrian institutions and the City College may be obtained through the regular channels of financial support for international cooperation on both sides. Besides, special efforts will be undertaken to cooperate in the framework of European Union Programs for higher education and the 6<sup>th</sup> European Union Framework Program for research, technological development and demonstration.

# Article 5

The present letter of intent shall be approved by the contracting parties in accordance with their existing procedures. Subject to the contracting parties having notified each other of the completion of the procedures necessary for this purpose, the letter of intent shall enter into force on the first day of the month following this notification.

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Education, Science and Culture