



## **Agreement on Co-operation of the Baltic National Unions of Students**

### **BALTIC ORGANISATIONAL MEETING**

*Following agreement was originally signed in Vilnius, Lithuania on September 30, 1999, revised in Viljandi, Estonia on November 8, 2003, and amended in Vilnius, Lithuania on May 26, 2012.*

#### **1. Introduction**

1. By the present agreement, the Baltic National Unions of Students, that are to say: *Eesti Üliõpilaskondade Liit* (Federation of Estonian Student Unions), *Latvijas Studentu apvienība* (Student Union of Latvia), *Lietuvos studentų sąjunga* (Lithuanian National Union of Students) hereinafter referred to as the “signatory parties” - recognise themselves as the legitimate representatives of the students in the higher education institutions of their countries on national and international arena, and institute among themselves procedures to facilitate the development of their co-operation.

1.1 The official name of the co-operation of signatory parties is Baltic Organisational Meeting - hereinafter referred to as BOM.

#### **2. Aims and objectives**

2. In order to strengthen the representation of student interests at national and international level, the signatory parties shall continue to support each other in the field of higher education, they shall develop common higher education policies, if necessary, and they shall develop coherent policy for common representation of students from Baltic countries on regional and international level.

#### **3. Framework of the co-operation**

3.1. For the purposes set out in the section 2 of this agreement, the signatory parties shall meet at least 1 (once) a year in a BOM Meeting.

3.2. Every BOM Meeting is held at a place chosen in the course of the preceding BOM Meeting. The signatory party that belongs to the country where the BOM Meeting is to be held is responsible for all necessary administration including the exchange of information among the signatory parties in relation to the meeting.

3.3. BOM Meeting is convened by the signatory party responsible for that under the precedent subsection of this section at least 30 day before the day on which it should begin. The invitation must include the draft agenda of the BOM Meeting.

3.4.1. In a BOM Meeting every signatory party shall have one vote and shall exercise it through a representative appointed following its internal rules. Any mandate given by a signatory party to its representative in a BOM Meeting shall be void as to the other signatory parties.

3.4.1. BOM Meeting can only be held if all the signatory parties are represented. If a signatory party cannot attend a BOM Meeting, it is obliged to inform the other signatory parties about that immediately after the invitation has been sent.

3.4.2. The signatory party responsible for organizing the BOM Meeting under the point 3.2 exercises, through its representative, the presidency in the proceedings.

3.5. Minutes of every BOM Meeting, including the decision taken there, shall be sent out to all the signatory parties by the signatory party responsible under the point 3.2 not more than 30 calendar days.

## **4. Coordination of BOM**

4.1. Every signatory party shall appoint one coordinator for the BOM who shall be responsible for the day-to-day administration of the co-operation under this agreement. If coordinator leaves the organisation or under other important circumstances, the position should be transferred to other person.

4.2 Host organisation for the next BOM Meeting is responsible for the work between the meetings.

## **5. Interpretation and execution of the Agreement**

5.1. Following agreement shall be interpreted in accordance with the common intent of the signatory parties expressed in the section 2 of the same. In case of doubts, the interpretation of the agreement shall be given by a decision of the BOM Meeting.

## **6. Implementation of agreement**

6.1. There shall not be any other obligations among the signatory parties than these resulting out of either the present agreement and decision taken on the basis thereof, or the practice that the signatory parties have established among themselves

6.2. The obligations under this agreement shall be carried out by the signatory parties in accordance with the good faith and fair dealing.

## 7. Final provisions

7.1. This Agreement comes into force upon the signature by the authorized representatives of all the signatory parties named in the section 1 of the same.

7.2. In carrying out their obligations under the agreement the party will act in accordance with good faith and fair dealing.

7.3. This agreement is made of 3 (three) numbered pages in 3 (three) copies of equal value of which each signatory party shall receive one. Only the English wording of this agreement is the authentic one. Any amendment to this agreement must be made in writing with the consent of all the signatory parties.

On behalf of **Eesti Üliõpilaskondade Liit**

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On behalf of **Latvijas Studentu apvienība**

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On behalf of **Lietuvos studentų sąjunga**

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