ACADEMIC COOPERATION PROTOCOL BETWEEN

ANKARA UNIVERSITY, REPUBLIC OF TURKEY AND METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY, ECUADOR

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Ankara University, Republic of Turkey and Metropolitan University, Ecuador agree with this protocol, to cooperate in academic as well as cultural areas of collaboration.

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The two parties agree to take required steps to enable the following:

- 1. Both parties will strive to share their academic knowledge and experiences in order to find solutions to the scientific problems of mutual interest.
- 2. Both parties will facilitate academic staff exchange for scientific purposes; lectures, research, as well as meetings and similar activities.
 - 3. Both parties will encourage student exchange in available fields.
- 4. Books, other various publications and materials to be used for education, training and research purposes will be exchanged.
- 5. Both parties will facilitate joint research projects and the organization of joint scientific meetings in the fields of common interest.

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Details concerning exchange of academic staff and/or students such as yearly quotas, duration of stay, fees etc. will be defined in a separately prepared working program. A similar program may also be prepared for the implementation of the aforementioned joint research projects.

This Protocol will remain valid for 4 years after it has been signed by the authorized signatories of both parties. The protocol will be deemed prolonged for another 4 years, unless one of the parties requests termination in the form of a written notice, at least 3 months prior to expiry. In case of termination, the programs or the activities that have already been approved by both parties by the date of the written notice shall be allowed completion under the conditions of the protocol.

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This Protocol has been executed simultaneously in two (2) duplicate versions in English and two (2) duplicate versions in Spanish each of which have the same content and shall be deemed to be an original.

On behalf of

Ankara University, Republic of Turkey

Prof. Dr. Erkan İBİŞ

Rector

Date: December 25th 2018

On behalf of

Metropolitan University, Ecuador

Prof. Dr. Carlos Espinoza

Rector

Date: