

## ACUERDOS BILATERALES

**Clasificación:** 69-2012

**Fecha de Ingreso:** 12 de junio de 2012

**Nombre del Acuerdo:** Memorandum of understanding between the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States and the University of the West Indies through the Shridath Ramphal Center for international trade law, policy and services for the cooperation of Awarding scholarships to students for the master's degree program in international trade policy, university of the West Indies

**Materia:** for the cooperation of Awarding scholarships to students for the master's degree program in international trade policy, university of the West Indies

**Partes:** GS/ the University of the West Indies through the Shridath Ramphal Center for international trade law, policy and services

**Referencia:** the University of the West Indies

**Fecha de Firma:** April 18, 2012

**Fecha de Inicio**

**Fecha de Terminación**

**Lugar de Firma:**

**Unidad Encargada:** Executive Secretary for Integral Development

**Persona Encargada:** Nichole Duncan, Department of Human Development, Education and Culture.

**Original**

**Claves**

**Cierres del proceso**

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**BETWEEN**

**THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES THROUGH ITS  
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN DEVELOPMENT, EDUCATION AND CULTURE**

**AND**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES THROUGH THE SHRIDATH RAMPHAL CENTER FOR  
INTERNATIONAL TRADE LAW, POLICY AND SERVICES**

**FOR**

**THE COOPERATION OF AWARDING SCHOLARSHIPS TO STUDENTS FOR THE MASTER'S DEGREE  
PROGRAM IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE POLICY, UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES**

The Parties to this Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU"), the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States ("GS/OAS"), a public international organization with headquarters in Washington, D.C., through its Department of Human Development, Education and Culture ("DHDEC"), represented by Maria Levens, Director of the Department, and the University of the West Indies (UWI), through its Shridath Ramphal Centre for International Trade Law, Policy and Services, a training, research and outreach organization established at the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill, Campus, Barbados ("the Centre"), represented by Prof. Sir Hilary Beckles, Pro. Vice Chancellor and Principal of the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus,

CONSIDERING,

That the Parties entered into a cooperation Agreement on August 22, 2007, and share an interest in furthering the education of talented professionals from the OAS Member States through scholarships provided under the OAS Partnerships for Education and Training Program for study in the Centre's recognized Master's Degree Program in International Trade Policy ("the Program" or "MITP"),

AGREE:

**I. THE PROGRAM**

1.1 The Centre shall facilitate annually the placement of three OAS-UWI Scholarship Recipients within the Program.

1.2 The Program shall be on-site at the Centre's Cave Hill facility, and it shall include a mandatory study tour component.

1.3 On successful completion of the Program, each OAS-UWI Scholarship Recipient shall receive a Master's Degree from UWI and shall join the ranks of UWI alumni.

## II. THE SCHOLARSHIPS

2.1. The Centre shall provide full tuition scholarships for up to three OAS-UWI Scholarship Recipients registered in the Program at the total cost of US\$42,000. Each of those OAS-UWI Scholarship Recipients shall receive an additional scholarship of \$2,600 funded by GS/OAS to cover the cost of the required study tour.

2.2 Neither the Center nor GS/OAS shall provide funds to OAS-UWI Scholarship Recipients for the following expenses, which shall be the sole and exclusive responsibility of the Recipients:

- round trip air fare;
- mandatory university fees;
- cost of books and material;
- health insurance;
- subsistence;
- Visa Charges (if applicable).

In announcing the availability of the above-mentioned Scholarships, the Parties shall clearly inform all potential applicants that those expenses are the sole and exclusive responsibility of the Scholarship Recipient.

## III. THE OAS FUNDED SCHOLARSHIP

3.1 The total amount paid by GS/OAS to the Centre under this MOU will not exceed \$2,600.00 per OAS-UWI Scholarship Recipient, for a total not to exceed \$7,800. To initiate the process for receiving that payment, the Center shall submit the corresponding invoice, for a one-time payment, to the Department of Human Development Education and Culture, OAS General Secretariat, 1889 F. Street, N.W., Suite 610, Washington, D.C., with electronic copies to: David Vieira, [Dvieira@oas.org](mailto:Dvieira@oas.org), with copies to Francisco Castillo, [FCastillo@oas.org](mailto:FCastillo@oas.org) and Jeanelle Van Glaanenweygel, [JVanGlaanenweygel@oas.org](mailto:JVanGlaanenweygel@oas.org). Payment shall be made within sixty days of receipt of the invoice.

3.2 The Center shall reimburse GS/OAS the full amount of the scholarship funding previously paid by GS/OAS to the Center for any OAS-UWI Scholarship Recipient who does not begin the study tour.

## IV. SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION AND FOLLOW-UP

4.1 Eligible candidates for receipt of the Scholarships provided hereunder must first be admitted to the Program. Then DHDEC and the Centre shall select the OAS-UWI Scholarship Recipients in accordance with the criteria and recruitment and selection process to which they have agreed and as outlined in the scholarship announcement.

4.2 The Centre shall promptly inform DHDEC if any of the OAS-UWI Scholarship Recipients do not start or drop out of the Program. At the end of each academic cycle, the Centre shall inform the DHDEC of each OAS-UWI Scholarship Recipient's academic progress. The

Centre shall also inform DHDEC when the OAS-UWI Scholarship Recipients have successfully completed the Program; and share its evaluation reports of the Program with DHDEC.

## V. COORDINATION AND NOTIFICATIONS

5.1. The DHDEC is responsible for coordinating the GS/OAS' activities and responsibilities under this MOU. The Coordinator is Jeanelle van GlaanenWeygel, Senior Specialist, at:

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Department of Human Development, Education and Culture  
1889 F Street, N.W.  
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Washington, D.C. 20006  
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5.2. The Shridath Ramphal Centre for International Trade Law, Policy and Services at UWI is responsible for coordinating activities UWI's activities and responsibilities under this MOU. The Coordinator is Neil Paul, Manager of Research & Development & Coordinator, Masters in International Trade Policy Program, at:

University of the West Indies, Shridath Ramphal Centre for International Trade  
Law, Policy and Services  
Cavehill Campus  
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Phone: 246 417 4585  
Fax: 246 425 1348; 417 4058  
E-mail: [neil.paul@cavehill.uwi.edu](mailto:neil.paul@cavehill.uwi.edu)

5.3 All communications and legal notices pertaining to this MOU must be sent by one Party's Coordinator and received by the other's, at the corresponding building address, fax, or e-mail address specified above. Either party may modify its choice of Coordinator and the corresponding coordinates by giving advanced written notice to the other.

## VI. GENERAL PROVISIONS

6.1 The Parties shall first try to resolve any dispute between them under this MOU through negotiations. If those negotiations are unsatisfactory, then either Party may then submit the dispute for final and binding arbitration before the American Arbitration Association in accordance with its Rules of Procedure, or before any other arbitration authority and in accordance with other Rules of Procedure to which they agree in writing. The place of the arbitration shall be Washington, D.C., or such other place as they agree to in writing and the language of the arbitration shall be English. Nothing in this MOU expressly or implicitly waives the privileges and immunities of the Parties or of their personnel.

6.2 Neither party shall assume responsibility regarding the acceptance of the degree obtained in the country of origin of the scholarship recipient.

6.3 Without prejudice to Article 3.2 above, neither Party shall be liable for an OAS-UWI Scholarship Recipient's debt or financial obligations to the other.


6.4 This MOU shall enter into force as of the date of signature by the authorized representatives of the Parties and shall remain in force until December 31, 2013, subject to article 6.6 below.

6.5 The Parties may modify this MOU by way of a writing signed by the duly authorized representatives of both, dated, and attached hereto.

6.6 This MOU may be terminated by written agreement signed by the Parties, or may be terminated unilaterally by either Party without cause upon no less than 30 days' prior written notice to the other, however, if terminated unilaterally, this MOU shall remain in force until the termination date stated in article 6.4 above with respect to all OAS-UWI Scholarship Recipients who as of the date the notice is given, have already been officially notified of their selection as OAS-UWI Scholarship Recipients for the Program for the 2012 academic year.

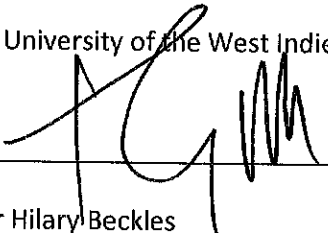
SIGNED by the duly authorized representatives of the Parties in duplicate originals at the place and on the date indicated below:

For the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States

 (Date) April 5, 2012

for Maria Levens  
Director, Department of Human Development, Education and Culture

For the University of the West Indies:

 (Date) 18/4/12

Prof. Sir Hilary Beckles  
Pro-Vice Chancellor and Principal, University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus