

# Letter of Agreement

By and between

1. Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Universität Hannover, Germany, represented by the President, hereafter referred to as "LUH"

and

2. Wageningen University, the Netherlands, represented by the Director of its Education Institute, hereafter referred to as "WU"

wishing : to establish a double-degree-program allowing students to achieve the master degree of WU in addition to the degree of LUH,

agree on the following provisions:

## 1. Set up of the letter of agreement

The letter of agreement spells out general arrangements in the agreement which are detailed for specific study programmes in **appendix 1**.

## 2. Degrees

Students will receive a Master of Science degree in Plant Sciences at WU in a study programme specified in **appendix 1** and a Master of Science degree in Horticultural Science at LUH in a study programme specified in the same appendix, when they have successfully completed the double degree programme as described in **appendix 1**.

## 3. Acceptance of students

WU and LUH agree on the nature of the admission procedure. Unless agreed otherwise, admission of each student requires the consent of both universities. In **appendix 1** practical aspects of the admission procedure will be spelled out.

Both universities apply the following general admission rules:

- a. have finished a BSc programme or equivalent,
- b. have reached a GPA of 70%,
- c. can show a paper-based TOEFL-test score of 550 or equivalent (IELTS 6,0)

## 4. Registration of students and fees

During their double degree programme, students need to be registered at one of the two partner universities and pay fees according to the rules of the university of registration. To allow WU to grant a degree the student needs to be registered at WU and pay fee accordingly for the whole academic year in which the degree is to be granted. **Appendix 1** spells out the details of registration and payment of fees for relevant groups of students, as Erasmus, Erasmus Mundus, EU + EFTA, non-EU, etc.

## 5. Other expenses

Expenses for insurance, for travel and for living costs will be the responsibility of the student. WU and LUH will be active in bringing scholarships to the attention of students interested in the double degree programme.

## 6. Housing

Both partner universities will give the level of priority to the group of students in this agreement as applicable to all foreign students taking part in a degree study programme.

**7. Guest lectures**

Both partner universities will encourage guest lectures of professors from the partner university in their curricula.

**8. Duration of the agreement**

This agreement will remain in force for a period of 4 years, starting 1 September 2009 and ending 31 August 2013, with the understanding that the agreement may be terminated by either party giving twelve months written notice. In the event that one party elects to terminate the agreement, any student already engaged in the study programme at that time will be allowed to complete the study programme and will be provided with the usual support and services in accordance with this agreement until graduation. After the period of 4 years the agreement may be renewed for another period to be agreed upon, subject to an evaluation of the programme by both partners in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2012.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have offered their signatures:

Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Universität Hannover



Prof. Dr.-Ing. Erich Barke  
President

Wageningen University



Prof. dr. E.W. Brascamp  
Director Education Institute