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University of Applied Sciences
Würzburg-Schweinfurt

Double Degree Agreement

between

**Degree Programme, Bachelor of Business Administration Program
(B.B.A)**

In

International Business (English Program)

(hereafter B.B.A.)

of the

**Rajamangala University of Technology Phra Nakhon, Bangkok,
Thailand**

(hereafter RMUTP)

and

the Degree Programme in International Management

(hereafter IM)

and

the Degree Programme in Betriebswirtschaft

(hereafter BW)

of

**Hochschule für angewandte Wissenschaften Würzburg-Schweinfurt
University of Applied Sciences Würzburg-Schweinfurt, Germany**

(hereafter FHWS)

1. Introduction

This agreement sets out the terms for the operation of an undergraduate Double Degree programme between the Degree Programme, Bachelor of Business Administration Program (B.B.A) in International Business (English Program) of RMUTP and the Bachelor Degree Programme in International Management and the Bachelor Degree Programme in Betriebswirtschaft respectively of FHWS.

- f) The programme will be operated in accordance with:
- the Degree Regulations of RMUTP
and
 - the study and exams regulations "Studien- und Prüfungsordnung für den Studiengang International Management" (SPO B IM) of FHWS
and
 - the study and exams regulations "Studien- und Prüfungsordnung für den Studiengang Betriebswirtschaft" (SPO B BW) of FHWS
- g) The agreement to cooperate implies that the Degree Programmes concerned will be quality assured (accredited) by an official organisation in a period of two years after signing the contract. Should the deadline expire without quality assurance this agreement can be terminated by the other party according to the regulations named in § 9 of this agreement. Both institutions will provide each other insight into their systems of quality assurance and accreditation.
- h) Both institutions, RMUTP and FHWS commit themselves to cooperate in the obligatory accreditation process and to provide all data required for the accreditation process.
- i) RMUTP and FHWS will regularly evaluate the quality of their respective courses offered and the corresponding lecturers.
- j) Both partners will conduct coordinated measurements to improve the quality continuously.

4 Admission and registration

- a) RMUTP and FHWS will aim to ensure that equal numbers of Double Degree students from each institution participate in the Double Degree Programme and will aim at a number of 2 x 5 Double Degree students per year: 5 students from RMUTP and 5 students from FHWS. The target number of Double Degree students may be altered by agreement in writing between the two institutions. However, student numbers are expected to balance of a period of five years.
- b) Subject to these constraints, each institution will accept to receive for an agreed exchange period, without the payment of additional tuition fees, the students selected and nominated by the partner institution for the participation in this Double Degree Programme. This refers to tuition fees only, and does not include ancillary fees, such as student association fees, travel and medical insurance, or any similar costs. The host institution must be notified of the nomination of the students at least four months prior to the intended commencement date of the exchange period.

- c) Students will be screened for eligibility for admission to the Double Degree Programme by the home institution. Both institutions shall respect the admission requirements and enrolment constraints of the host institution. Participants will be subject to the standard rules, regulations and enrolling constraints of the host institution.

The prerequisites for FHWS students to enter the programme are the following:

- successful completion of the first two semesters studies at FHWS;
- English language requirement: B2

The prerequisites for RMUTP students to enter the programme are the following:

- successful completion of the first four semesters studies at RMUTP;
- Sufficient command of English language knowledge

- d) For the period of their sojourn at the partner institution, Double Degree students will be registered at their home institution, but will also be registered as bachelor degree students at the partner institution.
- e) Double degree students will have access to all facilities and student services provided by the two institutions, including those to assist students in finding accommodation.

5 Contents of the Double Degree Programme

- a) Students participating in the Double Degree Programme are required to study for at least two semesters (or equivalent time) at the partner institution and earn a minimum of 60 ECTS (or an equivalent number) credits.
- b) The academic requirements for the contents of the Double Degree studies undertaken by Double Degree students during the exchange period are set out in detail by the host institution of the Double Degree student and agreed by the home institution.
- c) These academic requirements, including a list of courses for the students participating in the Double Degree Programme, are annually confirmed by FHWS and RMUTP, as described under § 7.
- d) The language of instruction while studying at the partner institution will be English.
- e) Double Degree students will secure work placement complying with the placement requirements of both institutions. The placement should be done outside the

country of the home institution. Exemptions need to be approved by the responsible institution.

6. Supervision, grading, and awarding of the degree

- a) The host institution will evaluate the academic performance of all Double Degree students using the same criteria used for students enrolled in the programme of the host institution.
- b) The minimum pass grade to be obtained at RMUTP is 2.0, according to the Thai grading system. The minimum pass grade to be obtained at FHWS is 4.0 according to the German grading system.
- c) In the event there is an academic appeal by the Double Degree student during the study period at the host institution, the academic appeal process of the host institution will apply.
- d) Upon completion of their study period at the host institution, the host institution will provide the home institution with (a) transcript(s) in English language of the academic results of the Double Degree student.
- e) Successful completion of a work placement is a mandatory part of both Degree Programmes.
- f) Double Degree students of RMUTP are required to do the Cooperative education (Internship) for one semester as part of their studies at RMUTP; FHWS students are required to complete a Bachelor's Thesis as part of their Degree Programme in International Management and the Degree Programme in Betriebswirtschaft respectively. The Bachelor's thesis is supervised and graded by a supervisor from the home institution and honoured by the host institution.
- g) To obtain the Bachelor's degree from the host institution, the Double Degree student must have been awarded the Bachelor's degree from the home institution.
- h) Double Degree students will be awarded the degree of the host institution if they meet the following requirements:
 - i. For FHWS students to obtain the RMUTP qualification:
 - fulfilment of all the requirements to obtain the Degree Programme, Bachelor of Business Administration Program (B.B.A) in International Business (English Program), including the work placement and the Bachelor's Thesis, as ascertained by the RMUTP

- successful completion of the Double Degree studies (60 ECTS credits) during the time at RMUTP for B IM students and B BW students respectively.
- ii. For RMUTP students to obtain the FHWS qualification:
- fulfilment of all the requirements to obtain the Bachelor of Arts (International Management), including the work placement and the Bachelor's thesis, as ascertained by FHWS.
 - successful completion of the Double Degree studies (60 ECTS credits) during the time at FHWS.

7. Monitoring

Each party is accountable for carrying out the terms of the agreement and nominates a responsible person to ensure that the Double Degree Programme is consistent with the objectives of their home institution's curriculum and the student's own career interests.

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The responsible persons will annually discuss all possible changes in the curricula of both programmes subject to this agreement, in order to ascertain the link between both curricula and to assure the quality of the Double Degree Programme as a whole. Major changes in the curricula (appendix) mentioned under § 3e have to be seen as an alternation of the contract and need to be documented in written form. In case the curricula start to differ to such a degree that the quality of the Double Degree Programme cannot be guaranteed, this agreement can be discontinued by either of the parties according to the regulations named in § 8 of this agreement.

A written report of the annual monitoring meeting will be submitted to the Exam Board of of the Degree Programme in Business Administration Program (B.B.A) in International Business (English Program) of RMUTP and the equivalent responsible body or person of the degree programme in International Management and the Degree Programme in Betriebswirtschaft respectively of FHWS.

8. Settlement of disputes

All differences, conflicts of interest or problems derived from the application or interpretation referred to of this current agreement shall first be discussed between the parties to reach a mutually satisfactory settlement. If this is not possible, problematic issues shall be arbitration by a single arbitrator appointed by mutual consent. The award of the arbitrator shall be final and binding on both the parties.

9. Consultation and revision of arrangements

- a) This agreement is in force from the day of its signing and it can be subject to revision, modification and renewal by mutual written agreement. This Agreement will be effective for a period of 5 years from the date of signing
- b) The agreement may be terminated at the request of either party provided such request is made in writing at least twelve months before termination is to become effective. The termination of the agreement must take into account the rights of students already participating or accepted for the Double Degree studies. Those students must be able to finish the Double Degree study programme.

10. Signatures

This Agreement comes into effect once it has been signed by their duly authorised representatives as follows:

Date: 20-02-20

Date: 20-02-20

For
FHWS - University of Applied Sciences
Würzburg-Schweinfurt

For
RMUTP

– Germany –

– Thailand –



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Appendix 1

Double Degree requirements

To be awarded the Bachelor of Arts (International Management) and the Bachelor of Arts (Betriebswirtschaft) respectively from FHWS and the the Degree Programme, Bachelor of Business Administration Program (B.B.A) in International Business (English Program) by the RMUTP students must complete successfully:

FHWS Requirements:	RMUTP Requirements:
See Appendix 2	See Appendix 3
Courses at the home University worth 150 ECTS (equal) ascertained according to the study and examination regulation (SPO B IM) Furthermore: The following FHWS courses must be taken by students from RMUTP (see Appendix 2)	Courses at the home University worth 150/180 ECTS (equal) ascertained by the RMUTP Furthermore: The following RMUTP courses must be taken by students from FHWS (students of B IM see Appendix 3a, students of B BW see Appendix 3b)

Appendix 2

Information for Incoming Students studying in the FHWS Double Degree Programme

Students of RMUTP will study the following courses during their stay at FHWS:

Mandatory Courses	CPs
Business Simulation	6
Marketing	6
Intercultural Management	6
Economics	7
Accounting	6
International Trade and Markets	6
Business Electives	6
Supply Chain Management & Information Processing	6
Business Ethics	6
Organisational Structure	6
TOTAL	61

Appendix 3b

Information for Incoming Students studying in the RMUTP Double Degree Programme

Students of the Degree Programme in Betriebswirtschaft of FHWS will study the following courses during their stay at RMUTP:

Subjects BW FHWS (Studienrichtung)			Subjects RMUTP		
Semester 4					
Subjects FHWS	ECTS		Subjects RMUTP	Credits	
Seminar	6		International Business Seminar	3	
Economics	6		International Project Management	3	
Business Simulation	6		Principles of Economics	3	
Electives	6		Quantitative Analysis for Business	3	
Languages	6		International Business Strategies	3	
	30		Introduction to International Business	3	
Semester 5			Thai Studies and Local Wisdom	2	
Subjects FHWS	ECTS			3	
International Management	6		Service marketing	3	
Management Strategies	6		English for Career	3	
Regional Studies	6			29	
Managing Operations	6		Subjects RMUTP	Credits	
Electives	6		Global Consumer Behavior	3	
	30		Intercultural Management	3	
			Principles of Management	3	
			International Business Management	3	
			Arts and Sciences of Self Development	3	
			Green Business and Sustainability	3	
			Operation Management	3	
			Logistics and Supply Chain Management	3	
			Preparation for Cooperative Education	1	
			Cooperative Education in Int. Business	6	
				31	