



Agreement of Cooperation

SPACE, The European Network for Business Studies and Languages, and Baltic Bright Ltd., intend to enter into a mutually beneficial cooperation.

On the one hand,

1. Because SPACE is a non-profit International Association, registered in Belgium under Belgian Law, and is a network of some 70 European Institutions of Higher Education representing 25 countries.
2. Because it organizes examinations and exchanges leading to Languages, Business Studies and Hotel & Management Diplomas with a European label and wants to give priority to the development of online courses in the field of European Studies and Intercultural Communication.
3. Because SPACE offers networking opportunities for sharing information and initiating projects between partners and is currently working in 10 professional sections, with emphasis on Research and Joint Degrees developments.
4. Because the remit of SPACE is to develop European and international co-operation in the areas of business studies and languages, one key objective of SPACE is to share staff educational experiences in order to meet the needs of students who now have to have an awareness of how to do business in a global environment.
5. Because SPACE offers the opportunity for its members to share online exams (e.g. in Intercultural Communication, Eurolanguages, Hotel & Tourism Management and European Studies), which demonstrate the European dimension of SPACE and the benefits of shared experiences.
6. Because SPACE has developed a number of co-operations in European funded projects.
7. Because the Specific Objectives of SPACE are:
 - Formulating common standards and organizing common examinations for language and business students and promoting the use of ECTS
 - Awarding common European diplomas managed by a Level Evaluation Committee
 - Exchange of students and lecturers and online offer of work placement opportunities
 - Creating networks in the educational and professional world so as to make **SPACE** known as a quality label
 - Developing online SPACE courses and organising online forums, especially in the field of European Studies and intercultural Business Communication
 - Assisting members in setting up projects
 - Encouraging applied research along the lines of the Bologna agreement

On the other hand, because:

- Because Baltic Bright Ltd - Consulting and Training - is a private company in the field of adult language learning, registered as an education institution by the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia.
- Because Baltic Bright Ltd helps communicate in foreign languages;
- Because Baltic Bright Ltd helps professionals, entrepreneurs, managers, public officials develop language skills necessary for successful and competent activities in global international context;
- Because Baltic Bright Ltd teaches languages not just **for** communication, but **through** active, attractive and interactive communication;
- Because Baltic Bright Ltd offers specialized programs for professionals , entrepreneurs, public officials;

There is, therefore, hereby an understanding that SPACE and Baltic Bright will seek to cooperation and that in the framework of their cooperation/collaboration, they will among others, seek to agree on the following:

- Mention on each website of the agreement of cooperation with logo and link
- Access to each other's activities and events at privileged prices, to be agreed separately

There are many potential opportunities for SPACE and Baltic Bright Ltd. to collaborate with other in sharing each other's competencies as well as capitalizing on synergistic effects in developing new areas of common activities. Among others, these may be, but are not limited to, the following:

- to undertake collaborative development projects on language issues
- to share information on, and provide mutual support for, language teaching developments
- to share pedagogical strategies and multi-cultural curriculum approaches

It is understood that any activities that are not covered explicitly in this Memorandum of Understanding may be suggested and discussed, but will become effective only by consensus of the two Organizations.

This Agreement of Cooperation is signed on 13.09.2010 in Riga ,Latvia.



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