# AGREEMENT ON DOUBLE MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME BETWEEN UKRAINIAN STATE UNIVERSITY OF RAILWAY TRANSPORT (UKRAINE) AND POZNAN UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY (REPUBLIC OF POLAND)

## PREAMBLE

In accordance with the present Agreement on Double Master's Degree Programme both Parties express their intention to strengthen their cooperation in the second cycle studies (Master) education and to develop student exchange. Ukrainian State University of Railway Transport (USURT) with its registered office in Feiierbakh square, 7, Kharkiv, Ukraine, phone No. 38(057) 730-10-13, 38 (057)-730-19-69, e-mail: info@kart.edu.ua , represented by Rector of Ukrainian State University of Railway Transport, Sergii Panchenko and Poznan University of Technology (PUT) with its registered office in Plac Marii Skłodowskiej-Curie, 5, 60-965 Poznań, phone No. 61-665-3537, 61-833-3881, e-mail: rektor@put.poznan.pl, represented by Rector of Poznan University of Technology, Tomasz Łodygowski have decided to undertake student exchange that will lead to obtaining a double degree related to Master of Science (MSc) Diplomas in Railway Transport.

#### Aims

**Article 1:** Double Master's Degree Programme aims to establish cooperation in the area of student exchange offering students an opportunity to obtain a double degree in Railway Transport according to the programmes of both universities:

- diploma of Master of Science Engineer of PUT,
- diploma of Master of Science of USURT,
- the Parties will mutually recognize study and examination achievements obtained in the course of the common study programme, which will be composed of equivalent modules, competences and the Master's thesis.

Both Parties will endeavour to award a Master's degree diploma in line with legal provisions currently in force in each country.

## Diploma of Ukrainian State University of Railway Transport

Article 2: USURT is authorized by the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine to award a diploma of Master of Science in Railway Transport.

# **Diploma of Poznan University of Technology**

Article 3: PUT is authorized by the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Republic of Poland to award a diploma of Master of Science Engineer in Transport.

#### Procedure for selection and registration of the student

Article 4: Each Party will provide the partner institution with a list of necessary documents, criteria and procedures for a candidate's selection and registration, according to the legal regulations of each country.

# Requirements for obtaining the double degree

Article 5: For the objective to be attained, a candidate has to:

- a) enroll in the whole programme (second cycle) of studies at both universities;
- b) obtain a consent of the dean to enter Double Master's Degree Programme;
- c) provide the Learning Agreement in English approved by both institutions, with a detailed description of the syllabuses and competences to be acquired during a specified academic course;
- d) complete

- for USURT "Ukrainian State University of Railway Transport" students – first two semesters of Master's programme in Ukraine and next two (or one) semesters in Poland;

- for PUT "Poznan University of Technology" students – first two semesters of Master's programme in Poland and the last semester in Ukraine,

collecting the required number of credit points in both host and home institutions;

- e) define a topic for the thesis which is in accordance with the study fields of both institutions and have it approved by both institutions;
- f) prepare and defend the thesis according to the rules of each institution;
  Home institution will appoint a Reviewer for a double degree student.

Host institution will appoint a Supervisor who will prepare a review of the thesis before the defence.

# Fees and insurance

Article 6: Students participating in the Double Master's Degree Programme are exempted from tuition fees in the host institution. The host institution requires that the visiting student holds personal liability and covers medical costs insurance.

# Funding

Article 7: USURT and PUT are not responsible for providing food, housing or scholarship to students under the Double Master's Degree Programme.

## **Obligations of participating students**

Article 8: Throughout their stay at the host institution, students will comply with all internal rules and regulations of the institution as well as with all legal and social obligations of the host country.

By the end of the student's semester at the host institution, the home institution will receive a report of his/her activities for evaluation purposes.

Students who fail to maintain the satisfactory academic level and/or who violate the rules and regulations may be expelled from the Double Master's Degree Programme of both universities.

## Management

Article 9: All issues concerning the training process, study programmes, students' admission are regulated by the "Regulations", which is the Annex to this Agreement.

## **Intellectual property rights**

**Article 10:** The completed diploma thesis is subject to copyright. The host University possesses a prior right to publish the diploma thesis of a student. If the host University does not publish the thesis within 6 months after its defence, the student who prepared it can publish it, unless the thesis is part of a collective work.

#### **Termination and Validity**

Article 11: The signatures of the Parties' representatives affixed below signify the interest of the Parties in promoting mutual friendship and cooperation. The Agreement will come into force from the Academic year 2018/2019 (after the date of signature) and remain in effect for 5 (five) years.

The Agreement can be prolonged if both Parties confirm their approval for such a prolongation in written form.

The Agreement can be terminated before the expiration date if any Party notifies the other one of its wish to terminate the Agreement provided all existing obligations assumed in terms of the Agreement have been fulfilled.

Article 12: This Agreement is written in English in two copies, both of them of equal validity.

On behalf of

Poznan University of Technology

Professor Tomasz Łodygowski Rector

May 16th, 2018 Date:

On behalf of

Ukrainian State University of Railway Transport

**Professor Sergii Panchen** Rector REDCH Date: M011164