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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AND THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA RENEWING A COOPERATION PROGRAMME IN HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING (WITH ANNEX). OTTAWA, 19 DECEMBER 2000

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ACCORD ENTRE LA COMMUNAUTÉ EUROPÉENNE ET LE GOUVERNEMENT DU CANADA RENOUELANT UN PROGRAMME DE COOPÉRATION DANS LE DOMAINE DE L'ENSEIGNEMENT SUPÉRIEUR ET DE LA FORMATION (AVEC ANNEXE). OTTAWA, 19 DÉCEMBRE 2000

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**AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY  
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA  
RENEWING A COOPERATION PROGRAMME  
IN HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY,

of the one part, and

THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA,

of the other part,

hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Parties",

NOTING that the Transatlantic Declaration adopted by the European Community and its Member States and the Government of Canada on 22 November 1990 makes specific reference to strengthening mutual cooperation in various fields which directly affect the present and future well-being of their citizens, such as exchanges and joint projects in education and culture, including academic and youth exchanges;

NOTING that the Joint Declaration on EU-Canada Relations adopted on 17 December 1996 remarks that in order to renew their ties based on shared cultures and values, the Parties will encourage contacts between their citizens at every level, especially among their youth; and that the Joint Action Plan attached to the Declaration encourages the Parties to further strengthen their cooperation through the Agreement on Higher Education and Training;

CONSIDERING that the adoption and the implementation of the 1995 Agreement on Higher Education and Training materialises the commitment of the Transatlantic Declaration and that the experience of its implementation has been highly positive to both Parties;

ACKNOWLEDGING the crucial contribution of higher education and training to the development of human resources capable of participating in the global knowledge-based economy;

RECOGNISING that cooperation in higher education and training should complement other relevant cooperation initiatives between the European Community and Canada;

ACKNOWLEDGING the importance of taking into account the work done in the field of higher education and training by international organisations active in these fields such as the OECD, UNESCO and the Council of Europe;

RECOGNISING that the Parties have a common interest in cooperation in higher education and training, as part of the wider cooperation that exists between the European Community and Canada;

EXPECTING to obtain mutual benefit from cooperative activities in higher education and training;

RECOGNISING the need to widen access to the activities supported under this Agreement, in particular those activities in the training sector;

DESIRING to renew the basis for the continuing conduct of cooperative activities in higher education and training;

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1

Purpose

This Agreement renews the Cooperation Programme in Higher Education and Training between the European Community and Canada, established in 1995.

ARTICLE 2

Definitions

For the purpose of this Agreement:

- 1) "higher education institution" means any establishment according to the applicable laws or practices which offers qualifications or diplomas at higher education level, whatever such establishment may be called;
- 2) "training institution" means any type of public, semi-public or private body, which, irrespective of the designation given to it, in accordance with the applicable laws and practices, designs or undertakes vocational education or training, further vocational training, refresher vocational training or retraining contributing to qualifications recognised by the competent authorities;
- 3) "students" means all those persons following learning or training courses or programmes which are run by higher education or training institutions as defined in this Article, and which are recognised or financially supported by the competent authorities.