



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON  
INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION  
BETWEEN  
THE NATIONAL RESEARCH AND INNOVATION  
AGENCY OF URUGUAY  
AND  
HARPER ADAMS UNIVERSITY**

**A. Participants in the Memorandum**

This Memorandum is entered into between the National Research and Innovation Agency of Uruguay (herein after referred to as ANII) and Harper Adams University (hereinafter referred to as HAU), each a Party, and together the Parties.

ANII is one of the official entities responsible for the implementation of the scholarships.

HAU is a tertiary education and research institution based in Newport, Shropshire, UK.

Both Parties accept to be the “participating institutions” in this Memorandum of Understanding.

**B. Purpose of the Memorandum**

This document represents an understanding between both “participating institutions” aimed at cooperating for the purpose of promoting the training of students in Masters and PhD full and sandwich programs offered by HAU in areas of specialization outlined in D., ANII is interested in promoting short training visits or courses and on-line courses.

**C. The Cooperation is Envisaged to Operate as Follows:**

- 1) Students in Uruguay interested in pursuing a PhD, Master of Science (MSc) or Master of Research (MRes) Degree at HAU will seek admission through the HAU application procedure, and fulfil the



standard admission requirements of HAU. HAU will at its absolute discretion decide on which students are accepted onto any course according to HAU admissions criteria, agreed funding and any other relevant criteria.

- 2) Those students that result in being admitted by HAU will apply for a scholarship at ANII, following the application procedure established by ANII for that purpose and accomplishing all the standard requirements settled by ANII.
- 3) Students academically admitted by HAU and selected by ANII, will be identified as scholarship holders.
- 4) If the student does not receive the ANII scholarship, they will not necessarily receive the benefits stipulated in this agreement.

**D. The defined areas of interest under this agreement are:**

- Animal Production, Welfare and Veterinary Sciences
- Crop and Environment Science
- Agricultural Engineering
- Food Science and Agri-food Supply Chain Management
- Land, Farm and Agribusiness Management

**E. Intent of Participants:**

The intent of this Memorandum is to establish the following:

ANII will provide up to 5 MSc, MRes and PhD scholarships per year.

**1. ANII will contribute:**

a) 2 year Master program: up to USD (\$) 40 000 per student.

1 year Master program: up to USD (\$) 20.000 per student.

These total amounts shall be destined to cover tuition fees, airline tickets between Uruguay and The United Kingdom, accommodation and health insurance. In case they are not enough, the student must either provide or secure for themselves additional funding to cover all those costs that are not covered by the scholarship provided by ANII.

b) 4 year full PhD program: up to USD (\$) 80 000 per student.

3 year full PhD program: up to USD (\$) 60.000 per student.

These total amounts shall be destined to cover tuition fees, airline tickets between Uruguay and The United Kingdom, accommodation and health insurance. In case they are not enough, the



student must either provide or secure for themselves additional funding to cover all those costs that are not covered by the scholarship provided by ANII.

- c) 4 years sandwich PhD program: up to USD (\$) 80.000 per student.
- 3 years sandwich PhD program: up to USD (\$) 60.000 per student.

These total amounts shall be destined to cover tuition fees, airline tickets between Uruguay and The United Kingdom (3-4 roundtrips as maximum during the length of the program depending on whether it is a 3 or 4 years sandwich PhD program respectively), accommodation and health insurance. In case they are not enough, the student must either provide or secure for themselves additional funding to cover all those costs that are not covered by the scholarship provided by ANII.

**Stays in Uruguay are included in these total amounts and will be financed according to the regulations of the National Scholarship System.** Thus while staying in Uruguay the student will receive from ANII a scholarship equivalent to the corresponding amount for a national PhD scholarship or a national Master scholarship depending on which kind of postgraduate degree he/she is pursuing.

2. Harper Adams University will contribute:

- a) A discount of 50% in the tuition fees for up to two MSc/MRes students, and a 20% discount in the tuition fees for the rest of the candidates.
- b) A discount of 20% in the tuition fees to any PhD students funded by ANII.
- c) Provide prospective Uruguayan scholars with information on the PhD or Master of Research Programmes and guidance on the application process.
- d) Provide ANII with all the relevant promotional materials and brochures to encourage interest among prospective Uruguayan applicants. Each Party will ensure that any marketing and/or publicity is accurate and not misleading and does not contain the branding or logo of the other party without that other party's prior written consent.

3. Both HAU and ANII will;

- a) Make the necessary financial arrangements for the confirmed scholars. The University will invoice ANII for payment of tuition fees in GBP (£).

The funds contributed by ANII for both the Master and PhD components as stated in this agreement will be transferred by ANII to the University in GBP (£). ANII will not be responsible for any financial cost



generated by the exchange from GBP to dollars (and vice versa) that might be done by the banks in order to make the transaction possible.

The transferences from ANII to the University will be done on a biannual basis as follows: one installment at the beginning of every academic year and one installment six months later, subject to a positive evaluation of the student progress. Each of the installments will be for the 50% of the funds that shall be transferred each year.

- b) have the obligation to inform the other Party of any change in the designated coordinator or signatory in charge of this agreement.
  - c) Ensure that scholarship holders will be subject to the rules and regulations of HAU and regulations of the National Scholarship System of ANII
4. Neither HAU nor ANII shall be obligated to continue financial support with respect to any student who does not maintain satisfactory progress during each year of their course.
5. If the candidate is unable to complete a PhD or Master of Science or Research within the standard duration, the candidate will be responsible for any continued funding, including but not limited to tuition, living costs, health insurance and visa costs.
6. Tuition Fees for Master of Research and PhD can be found at <https://www.harper-adams.ac.uk/apply/finance/postgraduate/Fees> for scholarship holders will be verified by contact between the designated program coordinators.
7. The intellectual property rights relating to any student work will be dealt with in accordance with Harper Adams University's Intellectual Property Policy.
8. Scholarship holders will be subject to the rules and regulations of the University and regulations of the National Scholarship System of ANII. Individual arrangements with regard to students accepted onto HAU courses will be the subject of separate written agreement in order to document the financial and other responsibilities of the Parties in each case.

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**F. The designated coordinators for this joint scholarship program are:**

For Harper Adams University: Dr. Leticia Chico-Santamarta, Coordinator for the Latin American and Caribbean Partnerships.

For ANII:

Executive Secretary

Av. Italia 6201, "Los Nogales" Building



Montevideo, Uruguay

Both institutions will do their utmost to market and promote the agreement to prospective Uruguayan applicants.

#### **G. Other Activities**

ANII and Harper Adams University, will aim to implement other programmes according to the available budget and resources of both parties and Uruguay bylaw. This will be done by exchange of letters.

#### **H. Agreement Modification**

Any modification, restriction, broadening or extension of this agreement must be done through mutual consensus in writing by the Parties and must be formalized by Addendum which will become part of this agreement.

#### **I. Solution to Controversies**

Any controversy, discrepancy or demand derived from this agreement, including the ones concerning its expiration, nullity, execution, compliance or interpretation shall be settled by Harper Adams University and ANII through mutual consultation acting in good faith and in accordance to their common objectives.

#### **J. Other Provisions**

1. This Memorandum has been executed in English.
2. This Memorandum states the intent of participating institutions. Any commitment other than those included herein shall not be binding upon the participating institutions.
3. This Memorandum shall be valid for 5 (five) years from the date on which the domestic administrative procedures have been completed and approved by the authorities of each country, without affecting its validity for the students who are studying at Harper Adams University until the end of the scholarship. The Memorandum may be extended for an additional five-year period, subject to this Section J, Clause 4, by agreement between the participating institutions.
4. Either participating institution may terminate this agreement by giving sixty (60) days' notice in writing by one to the other.




- 5. This agreement will be governed by English Law and is subject to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the parties expressly state that they understand and accept that ANII will comply in all its terms with the legal provisions in force in Uruguay, as well as those ordered by resolutions of competent authorities, and that what ANII does in that regard will not, in any case, be considered a breach of the agreement in this document and will not generate any responsibility whatsoever.

IN WITNESS WHERE OF, the parties hereto have offered their signatures:

Signed for and on behalf of the National Research and Innovation Agency of Uruguay

by its duly authorized officer on

the 25<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.


Fernando Brum  
President



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E INNOVACIÓN



Signed for and on behalf of Harper Adams University

by its duly authorized officer on

the 25<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.



DR DAVID LLEWELLYN  
VICE-CHANCELLOR