

LATVIAN – POLISH CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME OF COOPERATION FOR THE YEARS 2019 - 2022

The Latvian - Polish Mixed Commission for Cultural and Educational Cooperation established pursuant to Article 23 of the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Latvia and the Government of the Republic of Poland on cultural and educational cooperation, done at Riga on March 29, 2006 held its session on 23 April 2019 in form of a videoconference and has agreed upon the following Latvian and Polish Cultural and Educational Programme of Cooperation for the Years 2019 - 2022, hereinafter referred to as the "Programme of Cooperation."

1. CULTURE

1.1. The Parties shall continue cooperation in projects organized in the framework of the celebrations of the centenary of independence of the Republic of Latvia and the 100th anniversary of regaining independence by the Republic of Poland.

1.2. The Parties shall establish new and develop the existing forms of cooperation in the field of artistic creation and cultural heritage, supporting direct cooperation between cultural institutions in the two countries.

1.3. The Parties shall continue their cooperation in the field of research and conservation work. In particular, they shall deepen their cooperation on shared cultural heritage sites.

1.4. The Parties shall cooperate in the framework of the Baltic Region Heritage Committee on issues related to underwater heritage, the protection and conservation of monuments, sustainable development of historical cities and dissemination of knowledge about cultural heritage.

1.5. The Parties shall encourage Latvian researches to take part in the Thesaurus Poloniae scholarship programme, conducted by the International Cultural Centre in Krakow and addressed to foreign researchers in the field of history and cultural heritage of the Republic of Poland and Central Europe.

1.6. The Parties shall encourage participation in the Gaude Polonia scholarship programme, which is conducted by the National Centre for Culture Poland and addressed to artists, writers, conservators of works of art, and museum experts from Central and Eastern Europe.

1.7. The Parties shall support the conclusion of direct agreements between museums in the two countries aimed at the mutual presentation of their collections and organisation of exhibitions.

1.8. The Parties shall encourage cooperation between the Malbork Castle Museum and the Tukums Museum, the Bauska Castle Museum, the Cesis History and Art Museum, the Rundale

Palace Museum, the Turaida Museum Reserve and the Ventspils Museum in the framework of the activities of the Association of Castles and Museums around the Baltic Sea.

1.9. The Parties shall support joint projects on historical memory, including endeavours to commemorate victims of totalitarian regimes implemented as part of the European Network Remembrance and Solidarity.

1.10. The Parties shall support translations of contemporary literature in the framework of the ©POLAND Translation Programme implemented by the Book Institute, which may support translations of Polish literature into the Latvian language, and in the framework of the Support for Foreign Publishers Publishing Latvian Literature programme, implemented by the Latvian Writers' Union, which may support translations of Latvian literature into the Polish language.

1.11. The Parties shall encourage visits of literary translators of the other Party aimed at taking part in national and international meetings and seminars on literary translation.

1.12. The Parties shall support direct cooperation between the National Library of Poland in Warsaw and the National Library of Latvia in Riga as well as the Academic Library of the University of Latvia, conducted on the basis of agreements concluded between them, in particular concerning the acquisition of library materials and exchange of experience and good practices in the use of new technologies.

1.13. The Parties shall encourage cooperation between both countries' institutions tasked with presenting traditional culture and promoting the knowledge and education about it, with a view to the mutual holding of concerts, exhibitions, and other forms of presentation.

1.14. The Parties shall support cooperation related to participation in classical and contemporary music festivals, organised in both countries, in accordance with the rules of such festivals.

1.15. The Parties shall promote direct cooperation between theatres, ballet and opera companies from both countries.

1.16. The Parties shall promote joint research projects in the field of dramatic arts.

1.17. The Parties shall encourage cooperation between the Zbigniew Raszewski Theatre Institute in Warsaw and the New Theatre Institute of Latvia, as well as the Institute of Literature, Folklore and Art (University of Latvia), and the Latvian National Theatre and the Latvian National Opera and Ballet, in the framework of the European Route of Historic Theatres' Baltic Trail.

1.18. The Parties shall support mutual presentation of their film works and participation of their representatives in international film festivals, in accordance with the rules of such festivals.

1.19. The Parties shall encourage cooperation between national film archives, institutions active in the field of cinematography, as well as professional film organisations and representatives of the film industries of the two countries.

1.20. The Parties shall support the exchange of exhibitions of visual arts, design and photography of the other Party, as well as the participation of visual artists and art historians in international symposia, seminars and workshops organized by the other Party.

1.21. The Parties shall support cooperation in research and educational projects related to the latest developments in architecture and urban planning as part of European culture. The Davos Declaration “Towards a high-quality Baukultur for Europe”, signed on 22 January 2018, will form the basis of joint activities.

1.22. The Parties shall promote joint projects in the field of cultural and creative industries.

1.23. The Parties shall support cooperation with reference to ensuring access to the archives of both countries for research, social and legal purposes, exchange of experience, publications and copies of archive documents, search for Polish-related materials in Latvian archives and for Latvian-related materials in Polish archives. The cooperation shall be conducted on the basis of the Cooperation agreement between the General Directorate of State Archives of the Republic of Poland and the Directorate General of Latvia State Archives, signed in Warsaw on 20 May 2006.

1.24. The Parties shall support the establishment of direct cooperation and the exchange of experience and information between the National Broadcasting Council of the Republic of Poland and the National Electronic Mass Media Council of the Republic of Latvia.

1.25. The Parties shall support direct cooperation in the field of public radio and television broadcasting for the purpose of disseminating knowledge about both countries. In each instance, the cooperation shall be implemented on the basis of separate bilateral agreements between the interested partners.

2. EDUCATION

2.1. In order to exchange experiences in the field of education, and to develop cooperation between the relevant ministries, the Parties may organize visits of policy makers, experts and practitioners.

2.2. In order to promote the Polish language and culture in the Republic of Latvia and the Latvian language and culture in the Republic of Poland, the Parties shall support the teaching of language and culture in schools and other educational institutions at all levels.

2.3. In the context of ongoing education reform in Latvia, the Polish Party welcomes the intention of the Latvian Party to keep the general education institutions of the Republic of Latvia that implement education programmes for the Polish national minority in their current form. Aspiring to meet the educational needs of members of the Polish national minority in the Republic of Latvia, the Parties shall cooperate to ensure the functioning of general education facilities (Rezekne Polish State Gymnasium, J. Pilsudski Daugavpils Polish State Gymnasium, Ita Kozakiewicz Polish Comprehensive Secondary School in Riga, Count Plater Polish Primary School in Kraslava).

2.4. In order to enhance mutual knowledge about the systems of education, curricula and teaching aids of both countries, the Parties shall support close cooperation between schools, teachers' training institutions and other institutions operating within the system of education, the exchange of teachers, pupils and information, and implementation of joint projects.

2.5. The Parties shall support the teaching of the Polish language and literature, history, geography and other subjects taught in the Polish language, as well as the implementation of programmes aimed at generating interest in the Polish language in general education institutions of the Republic of Latvia.

2.6. The Latvian Party shall provide additional financing for teachers remuneration at the education institutions on pre-school, general primary and secondary level implementing programmes for the Polish national minority, ensuring the teaching and learning of the Polish language and literature as well as other subjects in the Polish language considering that the implementation of these programmes is additionally guaranteed by bilateral international agreements.

2.7. Local governments of the Republic of Latvia shall have the right to establish, reorganize and dissolve pre-school and general education institutions for the Polish national minority, in accordance with the law and regulations of the Republic of Latvia, with the approval of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia and in consultation with the Embassy of the Republic of Poland in the Republic of Latvia.

In the case of facilities built or renovated with the use of funds contributed by the Republic of Poland, the Embassy of the Republic of Poland in the Republic of Latvia shall be notified about the intention of building or renovating the facilities mentioned above six (6) months before a final decision is taken.

2.8. The Parties express their interest in cooperation concerning the erection of a boarding house attached to the J. Pilsudski Daugavpils Polish State Gymnasium.

2.9. The Parties shall support the teaching of the Polish language and other education activities carried out by Polish national minority organisations in the Republic of Latvia in cooperation with local minorities.

2.10. In order to improve the teaching quality of the Polish language and literature and other subjects taught in the Polish language, the Parties shall pay special attention to the professional development of teachers.

In order to accomplish this:

2.10.1. The Polish Party may admit each year up to 10 teachers of the Polish language and literature and other subjects taught in the Polish language from the Republic of Latvia, for participation in seminars and in-service training courses;

2.10.2. The Polish Party shall annually second teachers of the Polish language and literature, history, geography and other subjects taught in the Polish language for work in the general education institutions of the Republic of Latvia that implement education programmes for the Polish national minority, considering requests of the Latvian Party and the possibilities of the Polish Party;

2.10.3. The Latvian Party shall annually confirm one coordinator in an advisory capacity for each school from among the teachers seconded in accordance with Article 2.10.2., while taking into account a recommendation by the Polish Party. The main task of the coordinator is to promote successful cooperation and exchange of information with and between the seconded

teachers, the Latvian party, the administration of the receiving school, the Polish community in Latvia and other relevant stakeholders.

2.10.4. Each year the Latvian Party shall encourage the mutual exchange of experience of teachers of the Polish language and literature and other subjects taught in the Polish language in the Republic of Latvia on the modern study process organization and the Polish language acquisition, and shall promote organizing master classes, creativity workshops and presentations of common experiences.

2.10.5. The Latvian Party shall support Latvian language acquisition for teachers of the Polish language, history, geography and other subjects taught in the Polish language seconded by the Polish Party and shall enable them to participate in pedagogical professional development activities.

2.11. The Parties shall cooperate in developing education programmes and/or syllabuses for the general education institutions of the Republic of Latvia that implement education programmes for the Polish national minority. The Latvian Party shall disseminate information to the coordinators of seconded teachers and the Embassy of the Republic of Poland in the Republic of Latvia on opportunities to participate in the development of textbooks and teaching aids for these schools.

2.12. For the purpose of enhancing the quality of education programmes of the general education institutions of the Republic of Latvia that implement education programmes for the Polish national minority, the Polish Party shall regularly provide these educational institutions with information on the education system in the Republic of Poland, as well as other latest information on current developments, including in such fields as culture, art, literature, cinema, sports, the economy and entrepreneurship.

2.13. The Parties shall ensure teaching aids in line with their capabilities and requests from the general education institutions of the Republic of Latvia that implement education programmes for the Polish national minority.

2.14. The Parties shall support the development of direct contacts between schools and education institutions for vocational education and training, as well as their cooperation in the framework of programmes and projects of the European Union and other international programmes and projects available to the Parties. The Parties shall support the exchange of vocational education teaching staff and students, exchange of data and information, and the implementation of joint projects.

2.15. The Parties highly appreciate direct contacts established so far between the higher education institutions of both countries and shall encourage the development of new direct contacts based on bilateral and multilateral agreements and in the framework of the European Union educational programmes, as well as other international programmes available to the Parties. The Parties shall support the exchange of academic staff, students and researchers, exchange of data and information, bilateral scientific cooperation and the implementation of joint projects, organization of joint seminars, conferences and symposia.

2.16. The Parties shall promote the exchange of academic staff – specialists in the Polish or Latvian language, culture and literature who have been seconded to work in higher education

institutions according to the receiving Party's needs. The receiving higher education institution shall have the right to approve or reject the proposed candidate.

2.17. At the request of Polish academic staff (specialists in the Polish language, culture and literature, employed in higher education institutions in the Republic of Latvia referred to in Article 2.16., or at the request of heads of Polish philology departments and Polish language, culture and literature courses at higher education institutions of the Republic of Latvia), each year the Polish Party shall grant up to six places at summer courses of the Polish language and culture to Latvian students of Polish philology or participants of Polish language classes.

2.18. The Parties welcome the work of the Polish Language and Culture Centre of the Latvian Academy of Culture.

2.19. Each year the Parties shall offer each other scholarships for studies and research at state recognised higher education institutions in accordance with national laws and regulations and available financial resources of both countries.

2.19.1. The Latvian Party shall offer scholarships to students and researchers of Poland for studies and research work, as well as for participation in summer schools organized by Latvian higher education institutions. Information about the offered scholarships, application procedures and deadlines is available on the web page of the Ministry of Education and Science: www.izm.gov.lv and the State Education Development Agency: www.viaa.gov.lv/scholarships.

2.19.2. The Polish Party shall offer scholarships to students and researchers from Latvia to conduct studies and research, as well as participate in summer schools organised by Polish higher education institutions.

Information about the offered scholarships is available on the web page of the Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange: www.nawa.gov.pl. Apart from scholarships granted through the Polish Embassy in Riga (Exchange Programme for Students and Scientists as part of Bilateral Cooperation): <https://nawa.gov.pl/en/students/foreign-students/exchange-programme-for-students-and-scientists-as-part-of-bilateral-cooperation-offer-for-incoming-students-and-scientists>, the Polish Party proposes an open recruitment procedure for summer courses of the Polish language and culture: <https://nawa.gov.pl/en/the-polish-language>, and other programmes for foreign students and scientists.

3. YOUTH

3.1. The Parties shall support the development of cooperation on youth policy, exchange of information, examples of good practices and statistics.

3.2. The Parties shall encourage the development of direct cooperation between Polish and Latvian youth organizations, youth centres and non-government organisations working with young people. The terms of cooperation, including financial ones, shall be agreed upon directly by interested entities.

3.3. The Parties support cooperation in the field of youth, in particular youth exchange, in the framework of programmes and projects of the European Union and other international programmes and projects available to the Parties.

4. SPORTS

4.1. The Parties shall support direct contacts between government sports institutions, sports organizations, federations, and clubs.

4.2. The cooperation between the entities referred to above shall in particular include the exchange of experience and experts in sports medicine, sports management, organization of major sporting events, the fight against threats to the integrity of sport, ensuring security at sporting events and promoting physical activity in the society.

4.3. The government institutions responsible for sports cooperation are the Ministry of Sport and Tourism of the Republic of Poland and the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia.

4.4. The terms of cooperation, including financial ones, shall be agreed upon directly by interested entities.

5. OTHER FIELDS OF COOPERATION

5.1. The Parties shall facilitate joint participation in bilateral and multilateral projects, in particular in the framework of the United Nations, the Council of Europe and the European Union.

5.2. The Parties shall support cooperation in the fields of culture and education within the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and shall support direct cooperation in these fields between their UNESCO National Commissions.

6. FINAL PROVISIONS

6.1. The provisions of this Programme of Cooperation shall not preclude the Parties from agreeing through diplomatic channels on other undertakings in the fields of culture, education, and with regard to youth and sports.

6.2. The Parties agree that all initiatives mentioned in this Programme of Cooperation shall be carried out within the funds at the disposal of entities and institutions interested in their implementation.

6.3. Activities and exchanges carried out under this Programme of Cooperation shall be implemented in accordance with the laws and regulations of both countries.

6.4. The conditions of the Programme of Cooperation may be amended by mutual consent of the Parties. Annexes amending the Programme of Cooperation shall be made in writing.

6.5. The Programme of Cooperation shall enter into force on the day of its signing and shall remain in force until December 31, 2022.

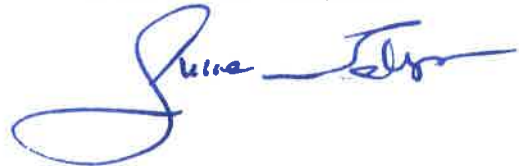
6.6. In accordance with Article 23 of the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Latvia and the Government of the Republic of Poland on cultural and educational cooperation of March 29, 2006, the next Programme of Cooperation shall be discussed and signed during the next meeting of the Polish-Latvian Mixed Commission for Cultural and Educational Cooperation to be held in Riga in the second half of 2022. The date of the Commission's meeting shall be determined through diplomatic channels.

Done in Warsaw, on 9 May 2019, in duplicate, each copy in the Latvian, Polish and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In the event of differences of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

**Chairperson
of the Latvian Delegation**



**Chairperson
of the Polish Delegation**



**ANNEX N° 1 TO
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Adopted on 9 May 2019

GENERAL AND FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

1. Exchange of exhibitions

Organizational and financial terms of exchange of exhibitions referred to in Article 1.6. of the Programme of Cooperation shall be agreed upon directly by museums concerned.

2. Exchange of persons

The exchange of persons in accordance with Articles 2.1., 2.14. and 2.15. of the Programme of Cooperation shall be agreed upon directly by interested entities a sufficient time in advance to allow a smooth preparation of the foreseen visit.

3. Teachers' in-service training courses in the Republic of Poland

3.1. Latvian teachers of the Polish language and literature and other subjects taught in the Polish language in the Republic of Latvia shall participate in seminars and in-service training courses in accordance with Article 2.10.1. of the Programme of Cooperation, pursuant to the following general provisions:

3.1.1. Teachers of the general education institutions of the Republic of Latvia that implement education programmes for the Polish national minority shall participate in seminars and in-service training courses organized by the Centre for the Development of Polish Education Abroad, a subordinate unit of the Ministry of National Education of the Republic of Poland;

3.1.2. The Centre for the Development of Polish Education Abroad shall notify general education institutions of the Republic of Latvia of teachers accepted for seminars and further education courses in the Republic of Poland, sending such notification also to the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia.

3.2. Teachers of the Polish language and literature and other subjects taught in the Polish language in the Republic of Latvia shall take part in seminars and in-service training courses in the Republic of Poland pursuant to the following financial provisions:

3.2.1. The Polish Party shall cover education and living expenses.

3.2.2. The Latvian Party may cover travel costs.

4. Polish teachers seconded to work in the general education institutions of the Republic of Latvia that implement education programmes for the Polish national minority

4.1. The assignment and admittance of Polish teachers to work in the general education institutions of the Republic of Latvia that implement education programmes for the Polish national minority in accordance with Article 2.10.2. of the Programme of Cooperation shall be governed by the following general provisions:

4.1.1. The Latvian Party shall each year inform the Ministry of National Education of the Republic of Poland - through the Embassy of the Republic of Poland in the Republic of Latvia and by 28 February at the latest - about the teachers needed for work in general education institutions of the Republic of Latvia that implement education programmes for the Polish national minority;

4.1.1. The Polish Party shall each year provide the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia - through the Embassy of the Republic of Poland in the Republic of Latvia and by 31 May at the latest, with a list of names of seconded teachers;

4.1.3. The principal of a pre-school education institution that employs a Polish teacher shall conclude with him/her a contract of employment for the duration of his/her secondment by the Polish Party;

4.1.4. The respective receiving education institution shall assist seconded Polish teachers in obtaining the documents required to receive residence permits in the Republic of Latvia;

4.1.5. Each year before starting work Polish teachers shall submit a declaration to the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia about providing short-term professional services in a regulated profession in the Republic of Latvia, in accordance with the laws and regulations of the Republic of Latvia, if the said teachers continue to provide short-term professional services after a year following the submission of the declaration, they shall be obligated to update the submitted declaration;

4.1.6. The Polish Party shall assist the teachers seconded to work in general education institutions of the Republic of Latvia by supplying them with teaching materials for the Polish language and for other subjects taught in Polish.

4.2. Polish teachers shall be seconded to work in general education institutions of the Republic of Latvia that implement education programmes for the Polish national minority pursuant to the following financial provisions:

4.2.1. As the founder of the education institution receiving Polish teachers, the local government of the Republic of Latvia shall pay such teachers a monthly salary in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations of the Republic of Latvia;

4.2.2. As the founder of the education institution receiving Polish teachers, the local government of the Republic of Latvia may provide such teachers with free-of-charge accommodation, excluding utility costs;

4.2.3. Once every school year the Polish Party shall cover the costs of two-way travel between the place of home country and the place of employment or the costs of organizing such travel,

as incurred by teachers seconded to work in general education institutions of the Republic of Latvia.

5. Exchange of academic staff - specialists in the Polish language, culture and literature and the Latvian language, culture and literature - employed in higher education institutions

5.1. Academic staff - specialists in the Polish language, culture and literature and the Latvian language, culture and literature employed in higher education institutions - shall be seconded to work abroad in accordance with Article 2.16. of the Programme of Cooperation for a period of one year, with an option of re-appointment for another academic year (a maximum of five years). The Parties shall confirm the employment of academic staff-specialists in the Polish language, culture and literature and the Latvian language, culture and literature, in line with the needs reported by interested higher education institutions.

5.2. The receiving higher education institutions shall assist academic staff - specialists in the Polish language, culture and literature and the Latvian language, culture and literature, in obtaining the documents required to receive residence permits in the receiving country.

5.3. The Parties shall supply academic staff - specialists in the Polish language, culture and literature and the Latvian language, culture and literature, with appropriate didactic materials, depending on the available funds.

5.4. Academic staff - specialists in the Polish language, culture and literature and the Latvian language, culture and literature, employed in higher education institutions in accordance with Article 2.16. of the Programme of Cooperation, shall be subject to the following financial provisions:

5.4.1. In the framework of the Programme of Cooperation, the higher education institutions employing academic staff - specialists in the Polish language, culture and literature and the Latvian language, culture and literature, shall provide such staff with accommodation against a fee or - as far as possible - free of charge, in line with the higher education institutions' capabilities and employment contracts specifying the duration of the academic staff's employment, their rights, obligations and monthly salary, to be paid in the course of twelve (12) months, pursuant to the laws and regulations of the receiving country;

5.4.2. Once an academic year, the sending Party shall cover costs of travel to and from the other country, as incurred by academic staff – specialists in the Polish language, culture and literature and specialists in the Latvian language, culture and literature.

6. Scholarship granting to bachelor, master and PhD students, and academic staff

6.1. Scholarship granting to bachelor, master and PhD students and academic staff referred to in Article 2.19. of the Programme of Cooperation shall be governed by the following general provisions:

6.1.1. All submitted documents shall be written in English, or translated into English or the official language of the receiving country.

6.1.2. Candidates applying for scholarships must speak the language of the receiving country or the language specified by the receiving higher education institution at a sufficient level. Candidates applying for scholarships under the Programme of Cooperation must be bachelor, master or PhD students, or belong to academic staff of higher education institutions in their country.

6.2. Scholarships offered by the Latvian Party:

6.2.1. The Latvian Party shall inform each year, through diplomatic channels by 1 February at the latest, the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Republic of Poland about the available scholarships. Information about the scholarships offered by the Latvian Party is accessible on the website of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia: <http://www.izm.gov.lv> and on the website of the State Education Development Agency of the Republic of Latvia: <http://www.viaa.gov.lv/scholarships>.

6.2.2. Candidates applying for the Latvian state scholarships shall submit all requested documents by the specified application deadline in electronic form in the Electronic Scholarship Application System available on the website of the State Education Development Agency. A list of requested documents shall be available on the website of the State Education Development Agency of the Republic of Latvia.

6.2.3. The Latvian Party shall notify candidates applying for the Latvian state scholarships on the selection results by 1 July at the latest.

6.3. Scholarships offered by the Polish Party:

6.3.1. The Polish Party shall notify the Latvian Party through the Embassy of the Republic of Poland in the Republic of Latvia of the number of places granted at tuition-free studies in Poland in a given academic year and of the application procedure, by 1 February.

6.3.2. Latvian candidates shall submit the completed application forms and all requested documents to the Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange (NAWA) through the Embassy of the Republic of Poland by the application deadline specified in the Regulations of the Exchange Programme for Students and Scientists as part of Bilateral Cooperation – Offer for Incoming Students and Scientists. Replies shall be communicated to the applicants and the Latvian Party by 1 July. More information about other scholarship programmes for students is available on the NAWA website at www.nawa.gov.pl.

6.4. Scholarships for bachelor, master and PhD students, and academic staff referred to in Article 2.19. of the Programme of Cooperation shall be governed by the following financial provisions:

6.4.1. The Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia each year shall approve the amount of scholarship for foreign students and information on the amount of scholarship provided by the Latvian Party annually shall be published on the website of the State Education Development Agency of the Republic of Latvia;

6.4.2. The Polish Party each year shall approve the amount of scholarship for foreign students. The information on the other programmes and scholarships for foreigners shall be published on the website www.nawa.gov.pl (Exchange Programme for Students and Scientists as part of Bilateral Cooperation – Offer for Incoming Students and Scientists);

6.4.3. The sending Party may grant a scholarship to cover scholarship holder's living expenses, in compliance with laws and regulations of the sending Party;

6.4.4. Scholarship holders are responsible for covering travel costs to and from the receiving country and accommodation expenses at student hostels. The Latvian Party shall cover partly accommodation expenses for academic staff;

6.5. Scholarship holders' rights to receive state-guaranteed emergency and necessary medical care to the same extent as provided to nationals of a given country shall be governed by the European Union's and the receiving country's laws in the field of healthcare.

7. Summer schools in the Republic of Latvia

7.1. Summer school scholarships in accordance with Article 2.19.1. of the Programme of Cooperation shall be governed by the following general provisions:

7.1.1. Information on summer schools supported by the Latvian state scholarships shall be annually available on the website of the State Education Development Agency: www.viaa.gov.lv/scholarships.

7.1.2. Information on how to apply for scholarships for participation in summer schools shall be posted on the website of the higher education institution in Latvia organizing the summer school.

7.1.3. By the specified application deadline, the candidates shall send all requested documents directly to a higher education institution of the Republic of Latvia that organizes the summer school. A list of requested documents shall be available on the website of the State Education Development Agency.

7.1.4. Higher education institution in Latvia organizing the summer school shall notify candidates on the selection results not later than one month before the beginning of the summer school organized by a higher education institution of the Republic of Latvia.

7.2. Summer school scholarships shall be governed by the following financial provisions:

7.2.1. Scholarship holders are responsible for covering travel costs to and from the receiving country;

7.2.2. The Latvian Party shall cover the cost of participation;

7.2.3. The Latvian Party shall not cover the insurance costs of summer school participants.

8. Polish language and culture summer courses

8.1. Polish academic staff - specialists in the Polish language and literature employed in Latvian higher education institutions pursuant to Article 2.16. of the Programme of Cooperation, or heads of Polish philology departments and Polish language, culture and literature courses at higher education institutions of the Republic of Latvia referred to in Article 2.17. of the Programme of Cooperation, shall send to the Polish Party through the Polish Embassy in Riga a list of candidates for Polish language courses in the Republic of Poland.

Information on summer courses of the Polish language and culture supported by scholarships of the Polish Party shall be available annually on the website of the Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange: www.nawa.gov.pl.

8.2. Not later than two months after receiving the list of candidates, the Polish Party shall inform, through the Polish Embassy in Riga, about the accepted candidates: the Polish academic staff – specialists in the Polish language and literature employed in Latvian higher education institutions, or heads of Polish philology departments and Polish language, culture and literature courses at higher education institutions of the Republic of Latvia; and the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia.

8.3. The participation in Polish language and culture summer courses shall be governed by the following financial provisions:

8.3.1. The Polish Party shall cover the costs of participation in the Polish language and culture summer courses;

8.3.2. The Polish Party shall not cover the insurance costs of participants in summer courses;

8.3.3. Scholarships holders are responsible for covering the costs of travel to and from the receiving country.

**ANNEX N° 2 TO
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PROGRAMME OF COOPERATION FOR THE YEARS 2019 – 2022**

**Latvian – Polish Mixed Commission for Education and Culture
Riga – Warsaw (videoconference), held on 23 April 2019**

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3. Ms Agnese Berga, Head of Information Centre of the National Electronic Mass Media Council
4. Mr Edgars Bondars, Ambassador of the Republic of Latvia to the Republic of Poland
5. Mr Guntars Catlaks, Director of the National Centre for Education of the Republic of Latvia
6. Ms Sarmīte Catlaka, Head of Division of International Cooperation and European Union Policy Division
7. Ms Anita Vahere-Abražune, Deputy Head of the Department of Policy Initiatives and Development, Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia

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1. Ms Anna Zalewska, Minister of National Education, Chair of the Delegation
2. Mr Łukasz Lutostański, Director of the Department of Public and Cultural Diplomacy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
3. Ms Monika Michaliszyn, Ambassador of the Republic of Poland to the Republic of Latvia
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5. Mr Sebastian Kęciek, Director of the International Cooperation Department, Ministry of National Education
6. Ms Magdalena Turowska, Deputy Director of the International Cooperation Department, Ministry of National Education
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11. Mr Sławomir Kowalski, Deputy Director of the Department for Cooperation with Polish Diaspora and Poles Abroad, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
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