Testimony on the Erasmus International Credit Mobility project between
Omsk State Technical University (Russia)
and Polytechnic Institute of Bragança (Portugal)

Among all the mobility projects that the Omsk State Technical University undertakes with foreign institutions in the framework of the Erasmus project, collaboration with the IPB of Bragança at the Master level is taken as an example of a successful model that we wish to reproduce with other foreign institutions.

First of all, it is an excellent opportunity for our students. Even if it is judged that the training at the level of this Master is similar to our curricula at the OmSTU, the program of master at the IPB has other scope at least on the personal level of the students who follow the courses in English and are together with students of other nationalities, which is very rewarding.

Secondly, besides this very valuable experience our students have the chance to get 2 diplomas: diploma of Omsk State Technical University (Russia) and diploma of IPB of Bragança. It makes our students more competitive in the labor market, and our Master programs became more popular in the market of educational services.

Thirdly, this project allows not only the mobility of students but also OmSTU researchers. These latter have the opportunity to build relationships that can lead to the development of joint research projects.

Fourthly, we have the chance to host IPB researchers in our University. It gives our student and staff who doesn’t have the opportunity to go to IPB of Bragança to get acquainted with the Institute, to listen to the lectures and to participate in the workshops lead by IPB of Bragança researchers.

It is estimated that our collaboration with the IPB of Bragança is at its beginnings. We hope to extend our collaboration to other master programs. It is also expected that our collaboration will extend to research projects.

And the last but not least we would like to thank our colleagues from Polytechnic Institute of Bragança for the organization of this meeting and their assistance.

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