



# **COLLABORATIVE AGREEMENT**

### BETWEEN

## FUNDACIÓN PARA EL FUTURO DE COLOMBIA

# AND

### EMERALD CULTURAL INSTITUTE

The *Fundación para el Futuro de Colombia* (COLFUTURO) and EMERALD CULTURAL INSTITUTE share an interest in strengthening bilateral cooperation in the field of education between Colombia and Ireland, promoting stronger ties between the two institutions to increase the administrative support and guidance available for English language studies of Colombian students.

The purpose of this agreement is to foster cooperation and enhance the links between the two institutions through the provision of shared administrative support for talented students admitted to the COLFUTURO Language Program (LP) at Emerald Cultural Institute held at Palmerston Park campus in Dublin city, Ireland.

The mutual cooperation will operate as follows:

- Colombian students interested in learning or improving their English language skills will seek admission to the COLFUTURO Language Program. Once students have been admitted and decided they would like to study at Emerald Cultural Institute, COLFUTURO will support them in their admissions processes to the English programs offered by the institution in reference, following the normal application procedures and meeting all the standard admission requirements established by Emerald Cultural Institute.
- 2. Students admitted to the Language Program of COLFUTURO are responsible for the attainment of financial resources to cover their programs.
- 3. COLFUTURO will receive the students' payments in three different instalments and then make the international wire of the total cost of their program (one payment in full) directly Emerald Cultural Institute account which will have been previously determined. COLFUTURO will pay on the students' behalf before their programs have started. Some students may decide to pay other costs such as accommodation, meals plans, etc. directly to the university.
- 4. Emerald Cultural Institute will invoice COLFUTURO directly for each of the students admitted. The invoices will be prepared separately for each of our individual students and will have a breakdown for every item.
- 5. Emerald Cultural Institute will provide a partial discount of twenty percent (20%) in the value of tuition for any open enrolment English program at Emerald Cultural Institute to every student sent by the Language Program of COLFUTURO. This benefit will be maintained and/or extended for the time the student decides to study at Emerald Cultural Institute.
- 6. COLFUTURO will provide administrative support and guidance to the students with their admissions and visa processes. COLFUTURO will promote Emerald Cultural Institute

open enrolment English programs at the centre mentioned above and the benefits agreed to by this mutual cooperation.

- 7. Each institution will designate a coordinator to implement and monitor this agreement. In particular, the designated coordinators will be responsible for ensuring that:
  - a. Emerald Cultural Institute and COLFUTURO provide prospective Colombian Language Program students with information on their programs of interest and guidance on how to apply to Emerald Cultural Institute.
  - b. Emerald Cultural Institute provides COLFUTURO with all the relevant promotional materials and brochures on the different English study programs offered by the universities mentioned to encourage interest among prospective Colombian students.
  - c. Emerald Cultural Institute provides all Colombian students admitted to their English language programs information on the Language Program of COLFUTURO and encourages these students to contact and submit an application to COLFUTURO.
  - d. COLFUTURO informs Emerald Cultural Institute of successful candidates by sending the application form of each student admitted to the Language Program of COLFUTURO. Furthermore, COLFUTURO will inform Emerald Cultural Institute if students decide to postpone or withdraw from any programs.
  - e. Both institutions have the obligation to inform the other party of any change in the designated coordinator or signatory in charge of this agreement.
- 8. The designated coordinators are:

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9. Both institutions will promote the agreement to prospective Colombian English language students.

This agreement shall remain in force from the date of signature by the designated representatives of each party and may be reviewed or renegotiated at the request of either party. Either party may terminate the agreement by providing at least thirty days prior written notice to the other party.

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Mauro Biondi Director, Emerald Cultural Institute

Date: 25/10/2024

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