

Châtenay-Malabry (France) January 20th 2012.

T.I.M.E. International Doctorate Charter (TIDE)

Dear Colleague,

I am pleased to return to you herewith your institution's copy of the T.I.M.E. International Doctorate Charter (TIDE), signed by our President Prof. Hervé BIAUSSER, Director of École Centrale Paris.

The second copy has been retained by the T.I.M.E. Association for our records.

We thank you for your support and confidence in this initiative and hope that you will be successful in setting up doctoral cooperation with other T.I.M.E. members under the auspices of the Charter.

To help in sharing information, a "new member" has been created on the T.I.M.E. web portal and the T.I.M.E. Coordinators of our members can create a "partnership" with TIDE. In this way, all our members, and in particular those who have signed the TIDE Charter, can see who else has signed.

We recommend that when seeking to set up international doctoral cooperation you think first of other T.I.M.E. members. We remain at your disposal for any question you may have in this context.

Yours Sincerely,

Paul CROWTHER

Secretary General

Encl.: T.I.M.E. International Doctoral Charter (1 copy)



T.I.M.E. INTERNATIONAL DOCTORATE CHARTER

WHEREAS the Charter signatory agrees with the principles of the Lausanne Declaration,

WHEREAS the Charter signatory intends to collaborate at doctoral level within the T.I.M.E. Association,

WHEREAS the intended cooperation will consist of setting up doctoral programs eligible for a T.I.M.E. Label and T.I.M.E. support of any kind,

THEREFORE, the charter signatories agree on the following articles:

Art-1 In a spirit of mutual esteem, the Charter signatory acknowledges the high level of the research doctoral programmes of its T.I.M.E. partners.

Art-2 As the doctorate is a work experience in research, the Charter signatory agrees to consider doctoral candidates as young researchers and not only as students.

Art-3 Any eligible cooperative doctoral programme between Charter signatories shall include a mandatory mobility period of at least one third of the programme duration.

Art-4 Any eligible cooperative doctoral programme between Charter signatories shall include the sensitisation of candidates to innovation in terms of (but not limited to) enterprise & company contact, entrepreneurial spirit, employability, product development and market opportunities.

Art-5 Any eligible cooperative doctoral programme between Charter signatories shall include the sensitisation of candidates to language and cultural issues.

Art-6 Any eligible cooperative doctoral programme between Charter signatories shall lead to the award of a joint degree whenever possible. A double degree may be awarded in case of legal necessity and/or administrative incompatibilities.

Art-7 Any eligible cooperative doctoral programme between Charter signatories shall be subject to a quality assurance system, existing or to be proposed.

Art-8 Any eligible cooperative doctoral programme between Charter signatories shall be operated in the framework of a bilateral or multilateral agreement referring to the present Charter.

Art-9 Any eligible cooperative doctoral programme between Charter signatories shall include assistance to the candidate for administrative formalities, accommodation and any logistical issues related to relocation, as necessary.

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