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**COOPERATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
L' ACADÉMIE DE BORDEAUX
AND
GLOUCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

Within the framework of the Le Touquet Agreement and the renewal signed in Paris on 9 June 2006, and with the support of the British Council and the French Education Ministry, Gloucestershire County council and the Académie of Bordeaux have agreed to establish a programme of cooperation between their two regions.

In particular we seek to develop:

- Pupils of all ages confident and competent in their use of the target language.
- Young people who have a developed understanding of their place in an interconnected global community.
- Learners who make purposeful use of new information and communications technologies.
- Teachers who are confident in the use of the foreign language.
- Schools which welcome new initiatives to transform learning and develop the skills of pupils and their learning mentors.

Both partners have agreed :

- To establish sustainable bilateral partnerships between primary, special and secondary schools in both regions.
- To offer professional development opportunities for teachers and other staff involved in education across the curriculum.
- To arrange bilateral contact seminars.
- To facilitate the exchange of ideas, innovatory projects and examples of good practice in the field of educational administration between the Regions by promoting the mobility of educational professionals.
- To exchange information and expertise, in particular on foreign language teaching.
- To encourage teacher and student communication through the use of new technologies and virtual platforms.

1 ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

An annual work plan will be agreed between the DAREIC in Bordeaux and the International Education Office in Gloucestershire.

The results and the impact of the agreed activities will be evaluated in a joint annual report.

2 FINANCE

Current national and European Union programmes may offer financial support to the agreed activities. Partnered schools will be encouraged and supported in accessing available funds. In particular:

- Anglo/French pupil and teacher fellowships as agreed in the Paris Accord
- Anglo French Curriculum Projects
- Leonardo programme
- Comenius school partnerships
- Comenius professional development grants

3 DURATION AND RENEWAL

The agreement is valid for three years including the academic year 2008-2009.

The agreement can be renewed at the end of three years if both parties wish to do so.

The agreement is signed in duplicate in both French and English this 13th day of November 2008 in Bordeaux by the signatories below.

Bordeaux, 13 novembre 2008

For the Académie de Bordeaux

For the Gloucestershire County Council

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