DECISION

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Vice-Chancellor

## Policy on contract education at Lund University

## Background

The University Board decided at a board meeting on 14 November 2008 that all contract education as of 1 January 2009 is to be carried out within the public authority Lunds University. Pursuant to the *Ordinance on Contract Education* (2002:760) Lund University may carry out contract education in accordance with the provisions in Section 1. Furthermore, the Swedish Council for Higher Education (UHR) has issued regulations to complement the ordinance, which state that each higher education institution is to establish guidelines for its contract education outlines the intended long-term orientation as well as overall positions and priorities.

## Decision

The University has decided that

- contract education is to convey knowledge from the University and thereby contribute to societal development.
- contract education is to identify the needs of wider society and the experiences and perspectives of external parties and channel them into both teaching and research, thus contributing to the University's quality development.
- Lund University is to be proactive and a driving force in the development of contract education in close cooperation with companies, public authorities and organisations regionally, nationally and internationally.
- contract education from Lund University is to meet the needs of the labour market and needs for professional development.
- contract education is to contribute to internationalisation and increased international cooperation within education and research.
- through organisational capacity development <sup>1</sup>in the form of contract education, the University is to contribute to global development processes and cooperate in facing the major societal challenges.
- contract education from Lund University is to be characterised by high quality.
- Lund University is to be active in providing staff with the opportunity to work on contract education within the framework of their employment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Increased individual expertise and strengthened capacity among organisations to drive processes of change for effective reduction of poverty, a strong human rights perspective and long-term sustainable development (from Result strategy for capacity development and exchange 2014–2017; Government decision III:20)

The decision on this matter was made by the undersigned Vice-Chancellor in the presence of Head of Administration, Susanne Kristensson, after a briefing by the Head of External Relations, Margareta Nordstrand. The Head of LUCE, Susanne Norrman, participated in the processing of this matter.

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