PARTNERSHIP CONTRACT

PREAMBLE

In connection with the project of "Knowledge faculty for economic practice" conducted at the STU Faculty of Materials Science in Trnava under the ESF funded operational program of Education, the Parties agree to corroborate their mutual relationships for the purposes of attaining sustainable growth and development of the organizations, and, after mutual consensus, conclude the current Partnership Contract (hereinafter referred to as the "Contract").

Article 1 Parties:

Partner institution:

Name of Partner: NV Bekaert SA

Address of Partner: Bekaertstraat 2, 8550 Zwevegem, Belgium Represented by: Dominique Neerinck and Bruno Humblet Identification Number of Organisation (IČO): 0405.388.536

Contact person: Marc Messely (hereinafter "Partner")

Bearer of the Partnership Contract:

STU Faculty of Materials Science and Technology in Trnava Paulínska 16

917 24 Trnava

Represented by: Prof. Dr. Ing. Jozef Peterka - Dean Identification Number of Organisation (IČO): 397 687 Contact person: PhDr. Kvetoslava Rešetová, PhD.

(hereinafter "Faculty")

Article 2 Aim of Contract

- The aim of the Partnership Contract is to prepare conditions for mutual sustainable partnership between
 the partners of Contract, to support the involvement of higher education institutions and other research
 and development organisations into the international collaboration and innovation networks, to increase
 quality of education and development of human resources in the field of research and development, while
 emphasising the continuous adaptation of higher education institutions to the current and perspective
 needs of knowledge society, as well as to foster the role of higher education institution as a drive of
 knowledge society.
- 2. All rights, obligations and claims arising out of or in connection with this Contract shall be governed by the applicable laws and regulations of the Slovak Republic and the European Union.

Article 3

Subject of Contract

- 1. Based on mutual agreement, the Partner undertakes to implement the following activities according to the current needs and possibilities of the entities:
 - 1.1 prepare conditions for the transfer of top expertise and involve the experts from the Faculty into the research projects and innovation processes in the Partner institutions,
 - 1.2 declare the opportunity to participate in joint research,
 - 1.3 enable excursions of the Faculty students in the Partner institution,
 - 1.4 confirm the possibility of internship of the Faculty graduates in a training center of the Partner institution,
 - 1.5 allow the presentation of the Faculty in the Partner institution,
 - 1.6 provide the Faculty graduates with the information about job vacancies in the Partner institution prior to publishing the job advertisements,
 - 1.7 confirm the option for the Faculty students to elaborate the final theses for the Partner institution,
 - 1.8 confirm the option of recording the technological processes in Partner institutions, or provide recordings of technological processes used exclusively for the Faculty educational purposes and their use in the teaching/learning process at the Faculty.

- 2. Faculty undertakes to implement the following activities regarding the current needs and possibilities of the entities, based on the mutual agreement:
 - 2.1 enable presentation of the Partner institution on the Faculty premises,
 - 2.2 provide a free presentation space for the Partner institution on the Faculty premises,
 - 2.3 provide the Partner institution with the information on the education and research orientation of the Faculty, focusing on the Faculty areas of expertise,
 - 2.4 submit a set of the Faculty study programmes to the Partner with the aim to adapt the programmes to the practice requirements, and provide the improved Faculty graduate profile to a selected Partner institution,
 - 2.5 inform the Partner institution about the Faculty activities,
 - 2.6 enable free registration of the Partner institution in the Faculty civic associations (portal for the Faculty graduates and stakeholders) Bank of Quality Alumni MTF STU,
 - 2.7 utilise recordings of technology processes from the Partner institution solely for educational purposes in the MTF with strict adherence to the safety and security protection of the external environment.

Article 4

A mode of pursuit of partnership

1. The Contracting Parties are committed under Article 1 Subsection 1 of the Contract to perform the activities free of charge so that the purpose of the Contract was achieved, and not threatened or thwarted.

Article 5

Liability for breach of Contract

In case any of the Parties identifies the breach of any condition under this Contract, they shall notify the Partner on the deficiency identified, and ask the Partner to remedy the deficiencies that are a manifestation of breach of contract, and simultaneously determine the period to correct the deficiency. The period commences on the first day following the delivery of the notice on elimination of deficiency to the Partner.

Article 6 Final provisions

- 1. The Partnership Contract shall be concluded for an indefinite period.
- 2. Provided that any provisions of the Contract become invalid (e.g. in terms of personnel changes), the resulting invalidity or ineffectiveness shall not affect the validity and effectiveness of the Contract provisions.
- 3. The Contract can be amended only by the written and numbered amendments, approved and signed by the Contracting Parties.
- 4. This Contract is executed in two counterparts. Each Party shall receive one counterpart.
- 5. The Contracting Parties declare that they duly read the text of this Contract and understand its content, and that the Contract was concluded by mutual arrangement according to their free and genuine will, seriously and clearly not in distress or under unfavorable conditions, which they confirm by their signatures.

Inon	Inon
statutory representative of STU MTF	statutory representative of partner

The current Contract is the output of the project of "Knowledge faculty for economic practice", ITMS 26110230113. The Project is implemented with the support of the ESF funded operational programme of Education.

Modern education for knowledge society/ Project is co-financed from the EU funds.

