Motivation statement

Dear recipient

I herewith apply for admission to the CIRRUS board for the period 2019–2022.

Ever since I started working at the Iceland University of the Arts (IUA) in 2006, I

have sought to strengthen collaboration between Nordic and Baltic Universities

in the field of design education. I attended in my first CIRRUS teachers' seminar

in Tallinn in 2011 and since then I have participated in the network's activities

on a regular basis. As acting Dean of the Department of Design and Architecture

at IUA I have been able to actively support IUA participation in CIRRUS network

meetings, seminars, mobility, joint courses and projects. I, together with my

colleague Alma Ragnarsdóttir, took the initiative of hosting the CIRRUS network

meeting at IUA in Reykjavík in 2015.

The collaboration within CIRRUS has been of great importance for IUA and I am

personally very keen on participating in developing, organizing and running the

network as a board member, as well as sharing my knowledge and experience of

international collaboration and working on future projects for the network. My

colleagues at the Department of Design and Architecture, as well as the leaders

of the Faculty and the IUA, support my participation and see it as a welcome

opportunity for IUA to become a more active participant in the CIRRUS network...

For the IUA, Nordic-Baltic collaboration for higher education in the field of

design is a primary concern.

Yours sincerely,

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