## British Society of Criminology and Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

## Reciprocal agreement

The British Society of Criminology (BSC) welcomes reciprocal arrangements with similar societies elsewhere. This document, which has been agreed by the BSC Executive, sets out the Society's policy on reciprocal agreements with the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences (ACJS), and should be referred to in the process of establishing and maintaining the agreement.

This reciprocal agreement takes a standardised form, and adheres to all BSC policies to include the following elements:

- BSC members will be able to attend ACJS annual conference at their reduced rate for members, and vice versa;
- Information will be exchanged on an informal basis, including the newsletters of the respective societies and links/logos via websites;
- A one page advert will be made available by each party in relevant newsletters to advertise respective annual conferences.

The following conditions will apply to this reciprocal agreement:

- 1. Reciprocal agreements do not constitute a legal transaction. They are undertaken informally and in good faith between the BSC and the ACJS.
- Reciprocal agreements will be terminated whenever a breach of good faith occurs, or under any other circumstance in which the BSC Executive decides that an agreement negatively affects the BSC's existing membership (e.g. a significant 'migration' from the BSC membership to the ACJS). Reciprocal agreements will be terminated whenever such an agreement is declared by the BSC Executive to reflect negatively upon the BSC's mission or general image.
- Reciprocal agreements do not involve any direct or indirect exchanges of monies between the BSC and the ACJS, excepting reduced members' rates for conference attendance.
- 4. Reciprocal agreements will be kept under review by the appropriate BSC Committee (reporting to the Executive where appropriate).
- Reciprocal agreements will not involve joint responses to consultations/representations without approval from the respective organisations' Executives/Councils/Boards.
- 6. Reciprocal agreements will not involve any other mutual agreement between the BSC and the ACJS except where this has been discussed and agreed by the BSC's relevant sub-committees and ratified by its executive.

This agreement is ratified by the BSC executive and the ACJS executive and signed by the Presidents of each respective organisation. The executive director of each organisation will be involved as facilitators in ensuring the long-term maintenance of these agreements and to co-ordinate practical aspects such as the exchange of information about conferences.

Links between the respective executive committees should be encouraged, in order to:

· facilitate diplomatic exchanges;

facilitate international networking; and share problems/solutions on a variety of criminological issues.

Signed by BSC President on behalf of BSC Executive:

Signed by ACJS President on behalf of ACJS Executive:

NCh (m) / Executive Director of BSC:

Reciprocal agreement dated: