## The Aachen University Research Fellowship Japan Program -Outbound Pledge (COLABS)

## ATTN: Director of the Institute for Excellence in Higher Education

While participating in the Aachen University Research Fellowship Japan Program (COLABS) (hereafter, "the program") at Tohoku University (hereafter, "the university"), I pledge to comply with the following items. If I violate any terms of this pledge, I will make no protest if my study abroad is suspended or canceled.

1. Before applying, I ascertained the fees involved in studying abroad, and received consent to apply from my financial supporter (guardian etc.).

2. If I am selected as a study abroad candidate, I agree that I will not withdraw, except for reasons deemed valid by the university.

3. The Student's health concerns should be resolved before going abroad. If the Student has preexisting medical conditions, the Student agrees to seek a health care provider's opinion and follow that provider's instructions.

4. I understand that the university may cancel or postpone the program, or order that participants return to Japan, due to natural disasters, political unrest, terrorist attacks, infections, pandemics, etc. in the country (region) where my host institution is located. I agree to promptly follow any instructions issued by the university if such events occur. I understand that I will be responsible for any expenses incurred due to the cancellation or postponement of the study abroad program or the recommendation to return to their home country.

5. I thoroughly understand the aims of the program, and will seriously pursue my academic work at the host institution.

6. I agree to thoroughly ascertain in advance and take responsibility for performing all procedures required by the program (e.g. completion of documents for submission to the host institution, passport and visa acquisition, vaccination against infectious diseases, etc., departure and return procedures at my faculty/graduate school at the university, credit transfer, program fee payment, insurance enrollment, etc.).

7. I agree to enroll in Supplemental Study Abroad Insurance (Futaikaigaku) while participating in the program, from the time of my departure and return procedures at my faculty/graduate school at the university, credit transfer, program fee payment, insurance enrollment, etc.).

8. I grant permission for the university to use any personal information that I provide pertaining to myself or my guardian etc. in order to complete the procedures necessary for the program and to respond to emergencies.

9. Under no circumstances will I possess, carry, import, or use drugs that are illegal in the host

country or Japan.

10. I will obey all laws of the host institution and the university, follow the instructions of the teachers and staff of the host institution, and do nothing in violation of the public order and morals of the host country while I am abroad.

11. I will behave conscientiously and responsibly as a student of the university. Under no circumstance will I hold the university responsible for any loss or injury I sustain while abroad due to natural disasters, civil unrest, terrorism, accidents, illness or crime.

12. If I leave the host institution for travel etc. during vacation periods, I will notify the Tohoku University Student Exchange Division (hereafter, "Student Exchange Division") and the relevant office at the host institution.

13. I will submit all required notifications and reports to the Student Exchange Division before, during, and after the program. I will promptly notify the Student Exchange Division if my contact information changes during the program.

14. I understand that the host institution may provide personal information, such as information on academic performance and living conditions, to the university in order to improve administration of the program, or to ensure student safety.

15. The Student understands that the Student is in general forbidden from driving motor vehicles, including motorcycles, during the Overseas Exchange Study period.

16. After the study abroad period, the student must promptly return to Japan and return to the University within 10 days from the day following the last day of the study abroad period, as indicated on the acceptance letter issued by the host institution.

I have read and understood the above terms, and pledge to comply with them. Date:

Faculty/Graduate School: Student ID: Department/Field Student Signature:

I vouch that the above-named person consents to and will comply with the conditions of this pledge. Date:

Name of Guardian etc.:	
(Relationship with the student:	