



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

TAY BAC UNIVERSITY

(Vietnam)

and

UNIVERSITY OF SUNSHINE COAST

(Australia)

TAY BAC UNIVERSITY (TBU), represented by Doctor Doan Duc Lan, Vice-Rector, and the UNIVERSITY OF SUNSHINE COAST (USC), represented by Professor Greg Hill Vice-Chancellor and President, hereby agree to this Memorandum of Understanding (on capacity building of education, research, technology transfer and serving community).

This MoU is established as a non-legally binding document, laying the foundation for a partnership between TBU and USC in developing a sustainable forum for knowledge and expertise sharing in the areas education, research, technology transfer and serving community.

This MoU confirms that TBU and USC wish to collaborate with the following terms of reference.

ARTICLE 1

The purposes of this MoU include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1.1. Collaboration in education: development of undergraduate and graduate programs.
- 1.2. Collaboration in research: development and encouragement of joint research funded by Australia, Vietnam and other international organizations; seminars, conferences, workshops and publications.
- 1.3. Collaboration in visits by exchange of lecturers and students for the purposes of research, teaching, professional development and cultural exchange.
- 1.4. Collaboration in enabling academic staff to get access to available resources of all type and in all forms for the purposes of education and research.
- 1.5. Collaboration in improving the capacity of lecturers and researchers through the organization of courses (graduate courses and training courses).

ARTICLE 2

It is understood and agreed that:

- 2.1. Themes of joint activities and conditions of utilising the results achieved, as well as arrangement for visits, exchanges, and other forms of cooperation shall be further discussed and developed mutually for each specific case and shall be mutually agreed upon in writing, including the necessary budget for the program or activity as the need may arise.
- 2.2. Each of the participating institutions shall be fully responsible financially for the activities carried out under its direction or by its staff, except as otherwise agreed by the *Parties*. Financial arrangements for collaborative research, seminars, workshops, conferences, and other such activities will be negotiated separately and will be subject to the availability of funds. All other financial arrangements will be negotiable on a case-to-case basis.

ARTICLE 3

The parties agree to work together to implement specific programs in line with Article 1. The implementation shall be separately negotiated and agreed upon in writing by both parties.

ARTICLE 4

Any programs in line with Article 1 will form an appendix to this MoU.

ARTICLE 5

The undertakings by the Parties will be in accordance with their competence and internal policies, as well as the scope of specific programs or activities.

ARTICLE 6

The parties will ensure a proper implementation of the MoU and may perform an evaluation of any actions undertaken hereunder for the purpose of updates and improvement.

ARTICLE 7

In order to carry out and fulfil the goals of this understanding, both parties will appoint coordinators for the development and management of joint activities. Through these contacts persons, either party may initiate proposals for activities under this understanding.

The contact person will be responsible for the evaluation under this understanding according to the practices of the respective parties. Letters of agreement will be approved by both sides according to the normal procedures adopted by the signatory party.

Here are the contact details of the coordinators of both parties:

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ARTICLE 8

In case of disputes concerning the interpretation or execution of this MoU, they shall be resolved by friendly negotiation between the authorities of the Parties, within a period not exceeding thirty days counted from the written notice of any divergence arisen.

ARTICLE 9

This MoU is effective as of the date of signature by the authorized representatives of the Parties and shall remain in effect for an initial period of five (05) years. This agreement shall be reviewed at least six months prior to its expiration, and after this initial period and with due observance of the evaluation on implemented activities, this MoU may be extended by the mutual agreement of the Parties.

ARTICLE 10

This MoU is also subject to revision and amendment at any time as indicated by written mutual consent on the basis of evaluation of effective cooperation between the two parties. In the event of any unforeseen incident during collaborative activities in either country both institutions agree to negotiate a mutually acceptable solution.

ARTICLE 11

This MoU may, at any time during its period of validity, be terminated by either party, upon prior written notice of termination not less than three (03) months before the desired termination.

However, the Parties agree that all continuing obligations to faculty, students, and staff, funding bodies or other entities are met in full subsequent to the notice of termination.

ARTICLE 12

In witness whereof, TBU and USC subscribe in a single act in quadruplicate of equal value and authenticity, in the city of Son La, on the 19th of June 2018.

Signed for and on behalf of TBU



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TS. Đoàn Đức Lân

Signed for and on behalf of USC



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