



#### **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**BETWEEN** 

**UNIVERSITI PUTRA MALAYSIA** 

**AND** 

**UNIVERSITY OF ABC** 

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**UNIVERSITI PUTRA MALAYSIA** (hereinafter referred to as "UPM"), an institution of higher learning established under the Universities and University Colleges Act 1971 [Act 30] of Malaysia whose address is at 43400 UPM, Serdang, Selangor Darul Ehsan, Malaysia and shall include its lawful representatives and permitted assigns;

#### **AND**

**UNIVERSITY OF ABC** (hereinafter referred to as "ABC"), a private university established under the law of Singapore whose address is at 100 High Street #06-01 The Pandan Road, Singapore 128440 and shall include its lawful representatives and permitted assigns;

(hereinafter referred to singularly as "the Party" and collectively as "the Parties"),

#### **WHEREAS**

- A. UPM is an established university which strives to enhance and strengthen its research and development and has taken various initiatives to complement its educational excellence and has entered into various collaborative arrangements with other parties to enhance networking;
- B. ABC is an established university that produces qualified graduates to meet the needs of the society and create eligible knowledge and research for the development of local wisdom internationally as well as provide academic services and transfer technology to communities in upgrading social standard.
- C. The Parties are desirous of entering into this Memorandum of Understanding to declare their respective intentions and to establish a basis of co-operation and collaboration between the Parties upon the terms as contained herein.

#### **HAVE REACHED AN UNDERSTANDING** as follows:

### ARTICLE I OBJECTIVE

The Parties, subject to the terms of this Memorandum of Understanding and the laws, rules, regulations and national policies from time to time in force in each Party's country, will endeavour to strengthen, promote and develop cooperation between the Parties on the basis of equality and mutual benefit.

### ARTICLE II AREAS OF CO-OPERATION

- 1. Each Party will, subject to the laws, rules, regulations and national policies from time to time in force, governing the subject matter in their respective countries, endeavour to take necessary steps to encourage and promote co-operation in the following areas:
  - (a) enhancement of learning curricula;
  - (b) joint research collaboration and publication on mutually agreed upon areas of study;
  - (c) human resources development;
  - (d) collaboration in community services, international conference and seminar; and
  - (e) any other areas of co-operation to be mutually agreed upon by the Parties.
- 2. For the purpose of implementing the co-operation in respect of any areas stated in paragraph 1 the Parties will enter into a legally binding agreement subject to terms and conditions as mutually agreed upon by the Parties including clauses on "protection of intellectual property rights", "confidentiality", "suspension", and "settlement of dispute" as contained in **Annexure A** of this Memorandum of Understanding.
- 3. The implementation of co-operations stated in paragraph 1 will be guided by the Joint Action Plan in **Annexure B** of this Memorandum of Understanding.

#### ARTICLE III

#### FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

- 1. This Memorandum of Understanding will not give rise to any financial obligation by one Party to the other.
- 2. Each Party will bear its own cost and expenses in relation to this Memorandum of Understanding.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

#### **EFFECT OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

This Memorandum of Understanding serves only as a record of the Parties' intentions and does not constitute or create, and is not intended to constitute or create obligations under domestic or international law and will not give rise to any legal process and will not be deemed to constitute or create any legally binding or enforceable obligations, express or implied.

### ARTICLE V NO AGENCY

Nothing contained herein is to be construed so as to constitute a joint venture partnership or formal business organisation of any kind between the Parties or so to constitute either Party as the agent of the other.

### ARTICLE VI ENTRY INTO EFFECT AND DURATION

- 1. This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect on the date of signing and will remain in effect for a period of five (5) years.
- 2. This Memorandum of Understanding may be extended for a further period as may be agreed in writing by the Parties.

#### **ARTICLE VII**

#### **NOTICES**

Any communication under this Memorandum of Understanding will be in writing in the English language and delivered by registered mail to the address or sent to the electronic mail address of UPM or ABC, as the case may be, shown below or to such other address or electronic mail address or facsimile as either Party may have notified the sender and shall, unless otherwise provided herein, be deemed to be duly given or made when delivered to the recipient at such address or electronic mail address or facsimile number which is duly acknowledged:

#### To UPM : FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

#### **UNIVERSITI PUTRA MALAYSIA**

43400 UPM Serdang, Selangor

**MALAYSIA** 

(Attn.: Dr. Nat Suhaimi) Fax: +603-9769 2046

Email: nat.suhaimi@upm.edu.my

#### To ABC : SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

#### **UNIVERSITY OF ABC**

100 High Street #06-01 The Pandan Road,

Singapore 128440

(Attn.: Dr. Ronald Lee)

Fax: 66908227828

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The foregoing record represents the understandings reached between UNIVERSITI PUTRA				
MALAYSIA and the UNIVERSITY OF ABC upon the matters referred to therein.				
Signed on this day of in the year	ar in two (2) original texts, each in			
the English language, all texts being equally authentic.				
Signed by	Signed by			
for and on behalf of the	for and on behalf of the			
UNIVERSITI PUTRA MALAYSIA	UNIVERSITY OF ABC			
DATO' PROF. DR. AHMAD FARHAN MOHD	PROF. DR. LILY TAN			
SADULLAH	President			
Vice Chancellor				
In the presence of:	In the presence of:			
PROF. Ir. DR. MOHD ZAINAL ABIDIN	PROF. DR. ALI MUHAMMAD			
Dean, Faculty of Engineering	Dean, School of Engineering			

### ARTICLE A PROTECTION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

- 1. The protection of intellectual property rights shall be enforced in conformity with the respective national laws, rules and regulations of the Parties and with other international agreements signed by both Parties.
- 2. The use of the name, logo and/ or official emblem of any of the Parties on any publication, document and/ or paper is prohibited without the prior written approval of either Party.
- Notwithstanding anything in paragraph 1 above, the intellectual property rights in respect of any technological development, products and services development, carried out-
  - (i) jointly by the Parties or research results obtained through the joint activity effort of the Parties, shall be jointly owned by the Parties in accordance with the terms to be mutually agreed upon; and
  - (ii) solely and separately by the Party or the research results obtained through the sole and separate effort of the Party, shall be solely owned by the Party concerned.

### ARTICLE B CONFIDENTIALITY

 Each party shall undertake to observe the confidentiality and secrecy of documents, information and other data received from or supplied to, the other Party during the period of the implementation of this Memorandum of Agreement or any other agreements made pursuant to this Memorandum of Agreement.

- 2. For purposes of paragraph 1 above, such documents, information and data include any document, information and data which is disclosed by a Party (the Disclosing party) to the other Party (the Receiving party), prior to, or after, the execution of this Memorandum of Agreement, involving technical, business, marketing, policy, knowhow, planning, project management and other documents, information, data and/or solutions in any form, including but not limited to any document, information or data which is designated in writing to be confidential or by its nature intended to be for the knowledge of the Receiving party or if orally given, is given in the circumstances of confidence.
- Both Parties agree that the provisions of this Article shall continue to be binding between the Parties notwithstanding the termination of this Memorandum of Agreement.

### ARTICLE C SUSPENSION

Each Party reserves the right for reasons of national security, national interest, public order or public health to suspend temporarily, either in whole or in part, the implementation of this Memorandum of Agreement which suspension shall take effect immediately after notification has been given to the other Party through diplomatic channels.

### ARTICLE D SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Any difference or dispute between the Parties concerning the interpretation and/or implementation and/or application of any of the provisions of this Memorandum of Agreement shall be settled amicably through mutual consultation and/or negotiations between the Parties through diplomatic channels, without reference to any third party or international tribunal.

# JOINT ACTION PLAN (2024 – 2029) IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN UNIVERSITY OF ABC

AREA OF COOPERATION 1: Enhancement of learning curricula				
ACTIVITIES	MODE OF ACTIVITIES	ОИТРИТ	TIMELINE	IMPLEMENTING UNIT OF EACH PARTY
Curriculum	- Joint workshop	- Design of	1 to 2	UPM
development		new curricula	years	- Department of Civil
and	- Benchmarking of	- Curricula		Engineering, Faculty of
evaluation	curricula	evaluation		Engineering
				- Department of
				Aerospace Engineering,
				Faculty of Engineering
				ABC
				- Department of Civil
				Engineering, School of
				Engineering

### AREA OF COOPERATION 2: Joint research collaboration and publication on mutually agreed upon areas of study

ACTIVITIES	MODE OF ACTIVITIES	ОИТРИТ	TIMELINE	IMPLEMENTING UNIT OF EACH PARTY
Joint	- Research grant	- Research	1 to 5	UPM
research	application	projects	years	- All department under
and	- Joint research	- Published		Faculty of Engineering
publication	- Joint publication	articles		ABC
				- All department under
				School of Engineering

AREA OF COOPERATION 3: Human resources development				
ACTIVITIES	MODE OF ACTIVITIES	OUTPUT	TIMELINE	IMPLEMENTING UNIT OF EACH PARTY
Students,	- Exchange of	- Sharing	3 to 4	UPM
lecturers,	students,	human	years	- All department under
and staffs	lecturers, and	resources		Faculty of Engineering
exchange	staffs			
and training	- Training and	- Promoting		ABC
	internship program	human		All department under
		resources quality		School of Engineering

## AREA OF COOPERATION 4: Collaboration in community services, international conference and seminar

ACTIVITIES	MODE OF ACTIVITIES	OUTPUT	TIMELINE	IMPLEMENTING UNIT OF EACH PARTY
Joint	- Joint community	- Community	1 to 5	UPM
community	services	service report	years	- All department under
service and		& publication		Faculty of Engineering
conference	- Organizing	- Reports on		
or seminar	international	conference or		ABC
	conference or	seminar		All department under
	seminar			School of Engineering