



**Memorandum of Understanding
Between
Prince of Songkla University
And
Nakdonggang National Institute of Biological Resources**

Prince of Songkla University (PSU), Thailand and Nakdonggang National Institute of Biological Resources (NNIBR), Korea believe that mutual benefits can be derived by bridging their two institutions, achieving a closer relationship by linking their scholars, students, and personnel. Both Institutions share the strong conviction that mutual understanding among people can be promoted through the establishment of academic links. Therefore, both institutions agree to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

Article I: Principle of collaboration

PSU and NNIBR agree to develop their academic links under the principle of mutual understanding, mutual benefits, common interests, and mutually complementary activities.

Article II: Aims of collaboration

- (1) To promote individual contacts among scholars, students, and personnel of both institutions,
- (2) To promote links in teaching, research, and cultural activities,
- (3) To provide opportunities for both staff and students exchanges, however such exchange need not be equally reciprocated,

- (4) To develop and to encourage joint research, seminars, conferences, workshops, and to also assist each other in obtaining external funding from outside sources,
- (5) To develop, when opportunities avails, joint study programs,
- (6) To support the exchange of academic materials concerning bioresources,
- (7) To share experiences and expertise concerning university administration and management,
- (8) To encourage any other activities that both institutions agree to be of mutual benefit.

Article III: Areas of Collaboration

Areas of collaboration can include any academic or other programs offered by PSU and NNIBR.

Article IV: Implementation

It is understood and agreed that:

- (1) Proposals for collaborative projects under this MOU will be submitted through the Chief Executive Officer of the two sides, and it is recommended that reports should be submitted to each Chief Executive Officer at the completion of each project.
- (2) The two sides will continue to pay the regular in-country salary of its researchers and staff members on exchange or visiting programs. However, under specific contracts or secondments, the host institution may consider paying a supplemental salary to visiting scholars during the period of their assignment.
- (3) Tuition fees will be waived for an agreed upon number of exchange students, and the host institution will assist in finding reasonable accommodation for participating students.
- (4) Student mobilization will apply to undergraduate and graduate/post graduate students from both two sides, and may include practical or industrial attachments.
- (5) 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.
- (6) The host institution will not be responsible to cover the costs of medical treatment or hospitalization for visiting scholars or students, and it is recommended that visitors should obtain overseas health insurance coverage from their home country.

Article V: Duration and Termination of the Agreement

- (1) This MOU is effective as of the date of signature by the Chief Executive Officer of the two sides.
- (2) This MOU may be amended at any time as indicated by written mutual consent.
- (3) This MOU may be terminated by either institution by the provision of a written notice of termination not less than six (6) months prior to the desired termination date. However, both institutions agree that at that time all continuing obligation to students, staff, funding bodies or other entities are met in full subsequent to the notice of termination.

Executed for

Nakdonggang National Institute
of Biological Resources



Prof. Dr. Young Hee Ahn

President of NNIBR

29/11/2017

Date

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