

Memorandum of Understanding

Between

Prince of Songkla University, Thailand
(in the following text FE-PSU)

And

University of Zenica, Bosnia and Herzegovina
(in the following text FME-UZ)

The Faculty of Engineering, Prince of Songkla University (FE-PSU), Thailand and the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering University of Zenica (FME-UZ), Bosnia and Herzegovina, believe that mutual benefits can be derived by bridging their two faculties, achieving a closer relationship by linking their scholars and personnel. Both faculties share the strong conviction that mutual understanding among people can be promoted through the establishment of academic links. Therefore, both faculties agree to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

Article I: Principles of Collaboration

FE-PSU and **FME-UZ** have agreed to develop their academic links under the principles of mutual understanding, mutual benefits, common interests, and mutually complementary activities. Both faculties have extended their strongest sincere effort towards this MOU at university level.

Article II: Objectives of Collaboration

- (1) to promote individual contacts among scholars and personnel of both faculties;
- (2) to provide opportunities for staff exchange in order to promote links in teaching and research activities;
- (3) to provide opportunities for student exchange in order to promote undergraduate as well as postgraduate learning and practices;
- (4) to develop and to encourage joint research, seminar, international conferences, workshops, with efforts in obtaining funding from external sources;
- (5) to develop exchange of knowledge through reciprocating exchanges of journals, e-journals, academic materials, resources, and services;
- (6) to develop collaborative postgraduate distance learning programs;
- (7) to develop academic staff development programs;
- (8) to encourage any other activities that both faculties agree to be of mutual interest and benefit.

Article III: Areas of Collaboration

Areas of collaboration will ideally include any academic or other programs offered by both faculties. Initially, the area may start between:

Faculty of Engineering, Prince of Songkla University, and
Faculty of Mechanical Engineering (Chair for Production Systems and Industrial Engineering,
Chair for Manufacturing Technologies, Chair for Environmental Engineering etc) University
of Zenica
to develop the collaborative activities in academic areas of mutual interest, on the basis of
quality and reciprocity.

Article IV: Implementation

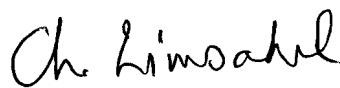
It is understood and agreed that:

- (1) Proposals for collaborative projects under this MOU will be submitted through the Dean of relevant faculty for University approval. It is recommended that reports should be submitted to the Faculty and the University at each completion of implementation.
- (2) Each faculty will continue to pay the regular in-country salary of her staff members on exchange or visiting programs. However, under specific contracts or secondments, the host university/faculty may (jointly) consider sharing a supplemental salary to visiting scholars during the period of their assignment.
- (3) The host university will assist in seeking reasonable housing for participating members.
- (4) Financial arrangements for collaborative research, seminars, workshops, conferences, and other such activities will be subject to the availability of funds.
- (5) The host university is not responsible to cover the costs of medical treatment or hospitalization for visiting scholars and it is recommended that visitors obtain overseas health insurance coverage from their home country.

Article V: Duration and Termination of the Agreement

- (1) This MOU is effective starting from the date of signature by the Rector or President, Dean, or authorized person of both universities for 5 years.
- (2) This MOU may be amended at any time as indicated by written mutual consent.
- (3) Either faculties may terminate this MOU by the provision of written notice of termination not less than six months prior to the desired termination date. However, both faculties agree that all continuing obligations to staffs, funding bodies or other entities are met in full subsequent to the notice of termination.

Executed for Prince of Songkla University



Chusak Limsakul, D.Ing.
Dean, Faculty of Engineering

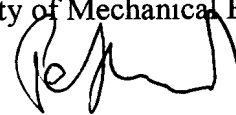


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May 18, 2004

Executed for University of Zenica



Safet Brdarevic, Prof. Dr.
Dean, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering



Safet Brdarevic, Prof. Dr.
Rector, UZ
May 18, 2004

In Novi Sad, Serbia and Montenegro, May 18, 2004.