

Memorandum of Understanding

**among
Prince of Songkla University,
Chulalongkorn University,
Mahidol University,
and Chiang Mai University**

**on
Collaboration with Danish University Consortium for
Environment and Development - Industry and Urban Areas (DUCED-I&UA)**

Prince of Songkla University, Chulalongkorn University, Mahidol University, and Chiang Mai University believe that mutual benefits can be derived by bridging their universities thereby strengthening academic capacities by linking their scholars, students, and personnel. They agree to establish an academic cooperation in the form of "Consortium". The Consortium intends to work on projects in collaboration with the Danish University Consortium for Environment and Development-Industry and Urban Areas (DUCED-I&UA). Therefore, the four universities agree to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding.

Article I: Principles of Cooperation

The Consortium agrees to develop its academic link under the principle of mutual understanding, mutual benefits, and common interests.

Article II: Objectives of Cooperation

1. The Consortium will cooperate in order to work with the Danish University Consortium for Environment and Development (DUCED), Denmark.
2. The Consortium agrees to enhance the following activities among the participating universities on the projects in collaboration with DUCED, based on their respective academic and educational needs:
 - (1) promotion of individual contacts among scholars (lecturers and researchers), students, and personnel;
 - (2) exchange of scholars, students and personnel;
 - (3) promotion of links in teaching, research and cultural activities;
 - (4) development and encouragement of joint research;
 - (5) when opportunity avails, development of joint study programs; and
 - (6) encouragement of any other activity that each participating university agrees to be of mutual benefit.

Article III: Areas of Cooperation

The academic cooperation will primarily focus on the area of environmental management in industry and urban areas (I&UA). It could include any academic or other programs offered by the participating universities.

Article IV: Implementation

1. The Consortium shall be administered by the Steering Committee and the Coordinating Committee. *The Steering Committee*, which oversees the overall Consortium's policy, comprises the Presidents, or authorized representatives, of the four participating universities. This committee shall elect, on an annual basis, one of the participating universities to be the secretariat university; thereby its President to be the committee's Chairperson. *The Coordinating Committee*, which coordinates and executes the Consortium's activities, comprises nine members. Two are nominated from each participating university. An additional member, who will serve as the Coordinating Committee's Chairperson as well as a secretary of the Steering Committee, is nominated by the President of the secretariat university. The term of both Chairpersons shall be one year.
2. The Coordinating Committee's Chairperson will represent the Consortium and be authorized to act on behalf of the Consortium with regard to the activities in collaboration with DUCED, in accordance with the decisions of the Coordinating Committee.
3. Proposals for collaborative projects under this MOU will be submitted through the Consortium Coordinating Committee for approval prior to submission to DUCED.
4. Financial arrangements for collaborative activities including research, seminars, workshops, conferences, will be subject to the availability of funds from DUCED.

Article V: Duration and Termination of the Memorandum of Understanding

1. This MOU is effective as of the date of signature by the Presidents of all participating universities in the Consortium.
2. This MOU may be amended at any time as indicated by written mutual consent.
3. Any university may wish to withdraw from binding to this MOU at any time, by provision of written notice of withdrawal not less than six months prior to the desired withdrawal date. However, the Consortium agrees that all continuing obligations to students, staff or other entities are met in full subsequent to the notice of withdrawal.

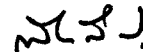
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President

Date: 16th September 1998

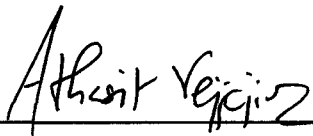
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