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CO-OPERATION FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE UNIVERSITY OF VIGO (SPAIN)

AND

PRINCE OF SONGKLA UNIVERSITY (THAILAND)

In Vigo, the 19th April 2001

The *Rector* of the University of Vigo, Prof. Domingo Docampo Amoedo, as appointed by the Degree of the Autonomous Community of Galicia number 169/1998. of 5 June, published in the Official Journal of Galicia number 113 on 15 June 1998, and in virtue of the competence conferred by para. 18 of the L.R.U and para. 97 of the University Statutes, published in the Official Journal of Galicia number 204, on 22 October 1993.

And the President of Prince of Songkla University.

Mutually recognise their legal capacity to sign the present co-operation agreement.

Therefore they declare:

That is the common interest of both institutions to promote co-operation and collaboration with a view to furthering the technological and scientific development of their respective regions.

And that both Institutions wish to sign the present Framework Agreement which will provide the rules and regulations for subsequent specific agreements.

To this end, both parties agree to subscribe to the following Framework Agreement, in accordance with the following



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ONE

The present agreement governs the co-operation between the University of Vigo and the Prince of Songkla University.

TWO

The aim of this agreement is to carry out jointly activities and projects in any area in the interest of the institutions, among which the most important are:

1. Development of research
2. The organisation and implementation of any kind of academic activities, such as: courses, lectures, symposia, seminars or training.
3. Support of researchers and students.
4. Exchange of publications, research and any kind of academic products that may be of interest.
5. Exchange and co-operation in cultural projects of mutual interest.
6. Exchange of students and academic staff.
7. Any other activities considered of mutual interest, within the limitations legally established by the Contracts Law for Public Administrations.

THREE

The parties agree not to publish scientific or technological information about projects being carried out.

The data and information obtained in the course of joint projects, as well as the final results, will be confidential. When one of the parties wishes to use partial or final results, in part or in full, for publication in the form of a paper, lecture or similar, permission shall be asked in writing by means of registered letter directed to the person responsible for the project.

In any kind of publication of results the authors of the project shall be mentioned. In the case of patents, the authors will be mentioned in the capacity of inventors. In all cases, specific mention of this agreement will be made.





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FOUR

Within 30 workdays of the signing of this agreement a joint committee will be set up with representatives designated by the *Rectors* or equivalent of each party. This committee shall be in charge of planning, monitoring and evaluating of the actions derived from this agreement and shall mediate in all conflicts related to it and to any specific agreements therefrom. The joint committee shall meet at the request of both parties at least once a year and shall present reports and proposals for new activities to the *Rectors* or equivalent of both institutions.

FIVE

The signing of the present agreement does not imply any financial commitments on the part of the signing parties, and no budgetary allocation is therefore necessary.

SIX

Each and every specific co-operation programme shall require the doing up of a specific agreement in which the following items shall be listed:

1. A definition of the aim
2. A description of the activities to be carried out together with a statement of the different stages of the programme along with its corresponding timetable.
3. An indication of the budgetary allocation made and approved.
4. A list of participating staff.
5. In the case of joint research, an agreement about the publication of results, the allocation of credit to the different researchers and the means of registration of any industrial or intellectual copyrights or patents and the participation therein.
6. Any other relevant matter.

SEVEN

The present agreement shall be effective on the date of its signature, once approved by the *Junta de Gobierno* according to para. 77.e. of the Statutes of the University of Vigo, or equivalent body. It shall be valid for four years, and unless none of the parties manifest its intention to terminate it, it shall be tacitly renewed.