

**LOGO OF THE UNIVERSITY**

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)**
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This is an agreement between the……………………, hereinafter referred to as “…….”, Full address, represented by its Rector, **Name of the Rector**

**AND**

The University of Abomey-Calavi, hereinafter referred to as “**UAC**”, BENIN, 01 BP: 526 COTONOU,www.uac.bj, vrcipip.uac@uac.bj, represented by its Rector, **Prof. Maxime da CRUZ**

**ARTICLE 1: SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES**

1. The aim of this MOU is to promote and develop international collaboration between **…….**and **UAC**in the following areas:
* Research collaboration in conducting joints nationals and internationals projects;
* Co-supervising ofM.A./M.Sc. and Ph.D. students;
* Facilitating procedures for lecturers andPh.D. students interested in using sabbatical leave;
* Exchange of students and lecturers;
* Conducting workshops/short courses for students;
* Conducting educational short courses for academic and technical staff ;
* Participating of lecturers as keynote speaker forseminars/conferences/academics meetings;
* Cooperating of lecturers as joint organizer in holding international seminars/conferences/meetings;
1. This MOU shall also be used between both universities from the date of its signing to facilitate all publications of joint research project results, books, articles, etc.

**ARTICLE 2: PROVISIONS CONCERNING IMPLEMENTATION**

1. While taking into account the financial and organizational limitations of their institutions, the cooperating parties hereby firmly express their intention to implement the general content of this MOU through effectual programs.
2. The provisions related to implementation are to be drawn up and endorsed by both parties.

**ARTICLE 3: CONTRIBUTION TO BE MADE BY EACH PARTY**

1. Students of both parties will comply with the rules and regulations of both universities.
2. During the term of cooperation and at all times there after, the representatives of both universities will maintain the confidentiality of the activities including research information, student and staff information and all other relevant information related to this MOU.
3. Both universities will comply with their national legislation related to intellectual and proprietary rights in dealing with matters concerning joints researches and publications.
4. Each university through its international office, will, whenever possible, care for the needs of visitors from the partner university, e.g. assistance in finding suitable accommodation and necessary documents. The host institution will cooperate in these efforts, but will not have any binding obligation to assure the granting of visas, permits or financing accommodation.
5. This MOU does not include any payment obligations for both parties. Return flight fare, accommodation and living expenses in each section of cooperation will be discussed further when required by the representatives of both parties.

**ARTICLE 4: AMENDMENTS,DURATION AND TERMINATION**

1. Supplementary provisions or amendments to this cooperation agreement may only be made after consultation, and written consent must be granted by both parties.
2. All discrepancies or opposing interpretations of this cooperation agreement are to be settleddown via mutual consultation or negotiation.
3. This MOU will come into an effect from the date of its signing and will remain valid for a period of five (**5**) years. At the end of this period, it may be renewed by tacit consent for each interval of five (**5**) years which follow, unless either university decides to put an end to it.
4. This MOU may be terminated by either party via a six month minimum written notice in advance. However, activities and projects in progress will continue until their terms.

This MOU is made in duplicate, both enjoying the same value, and have both been signed by the Parties herein. Each Party herein has received its own executed copy of this MOU for its necessary action.

**ENDORSEMENT**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this MOU is SIGNED and EXECUTED this

…………………………………….day of…………………………2018

On behalf of **University of Abomey-Calavi**

**Signature**…………………………………..

**Prof. Maxime da CRUZ**

Rector

On behalf of **University ………………………**

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| **Signature**………………………………………**Prof. …………………………………………**Rector |

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