

# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON ACADEMIC COOPERATION



### BETWEEN

# SAKON NAKHON RAJABHAT UNIVERSITY, KINGDOM OF THAILAND AND

# PROVINCIAL EDUCATION AND SPORT SERVICE KHAMMOUANE, LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

Sakon Nakhon Rajabhat University, Kingdom of Thailand and Provincial Education and Sport Service Khammouane, Lao PDR and, they are, hereafter, referred to as the "Parties", have agreed to promote the academic cooperation, and reached the agreement as follows:

## Article 1. General form for cooperation

Both of SNRU and Provincial Education and Sport Service Khammouane, Lao PDR will encourage direct contact and cooperation between their faculty members and departments, as they are able, and will act as coordinators of contacts with other faculties whenever appropriate.

- a) Within fields of mutual collaboration, a general form of cooperation is envisaged as follows:
- b) Joint research activities
- c) Exchange of information in scientific education and research which is of mutual interest to both of SNRU and Provincial Education and Sport Service Khammouane, Lao PDR Exchange of faculty members for research, lectures, and discussions
- d) Exchange of graduate and undergraduate students for study and research
- e) Access to the various facilities of each institute
- f) Priority areas for collaboration will consider the needs and priorities of partner countries in the region and focus on supporting progress towards the SDGs. Collaboration will include joint knowledge creation, exchange and dialogue, direct technical assistance, and project development and implementation by promoting regional cooperation and integration.

The other further academic and cooperation activities will be discussed and signed as the other agreements.

Article 2. Joint research activities and exchange of information

The themes of the joint activities and the conditions for utilizing the results achieved as well as arrangements for specific visits, exchanges, and other forms of cooperation will be negotiated for each specific case whenever necessary in accordance with mutual requirements.

Both of SNRU and NUAA understand that the financial arrangements will be negotiated on a case by case basis and subject to availability of funds at the time.

Article 3. Exchange of faculty members and students

Exchange staff and/or students will be required to purchase their own health insurance and casualty insurance or give evidence that they have comparable insurance coverage. In either case, medical evacuation and repatriation coverage must be included.

### Article 4. Access to the various facilities of each institute

Faculty members and students can use facilities in both universities according to the research proposal which will be discussed between host and home professors.

#### Article 5. Period time of MoU

This MoU will take effect from the date of signing by the representatives of both institutions. This agreement is valid for a period of five (5) years following its date of approval. The validity of the MoU may be extended after mutual consultation. On dissolution of the MoU, one university must provide not less than six (6) months' notice in writing to the other.

Article 6. Contact persons

Both sides agree to assign contact person for this MoU:

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Representative of Provincial Education

Service Khammouane, Lao PDR

Ms Soukhaseum SITTHIDETH
The Director of Khammouane education

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Date: \_\_\_\_