

Memorandum of Understanding

between

and

Leiden University, The Netherlands

1. Preamble

In accordance with their mutual desire to initiate cooperation and in order to explore the potential for collaboration in the areas set out below, _____ and Leiden University have signed the following Memorandum of Understanding.

2. Areas for potential collaboration

Based on the principles of mutual benefit, both institutions intend to explore opportunities for:

- (a) The reciprocal exchange of students;
- (b) The reciprocal exchange of research and teaching staff, and of other staff members;
- (c) Research collaboration in fields with mutual interests between research staff, departments, and schools of both institutions;
- (d) The organisation of joint academic and scientific activities, such as courses, conferences, seminars, symposia or lectures;
- (e) The exchange and sharing of teaching and academic materials, publications, reference and other pertinent information;

All of the above with special reference to the cultural, economic, ethical, political and social implications of contemporary research in the global context.

3. Implementation of this Memorandum

Both institutions agree that specific projects and activities shall be developed for implementation of this Memorandum based on discussions and negotiations between the two institutions. Agreements or contracts to carry out these projects and activities shall be signed separately.

Both institutions agree that all financial arrangements shall be determined on the basis of specific projects and activities and will depend on the availability of funds.

4. Intellectual property rights

Both institutions acknowledge the principle that knowledge, generated in the course of academic research, should remain available for future research and teaching, and, if possible,

should be used for public advancement. Therefore, both institutions agree on the following generally accepted academic principles:

- (a) Results which can be published should be expediently published by the institution where they are generated;
- (b) The availability of the results for future research and teaching should be assured; and
- (c) If results are made available for commercial exploitation, the institution should ensure that:
 - such results are applied as broadly as possible,
 - access is granted under fair and non-discriminatory conditions,
 - and benefits of its application shall be shared with the institution which has generated the results.

5. Duration, amendment and termination

This Memorandum of Understanding shall become effective from the start of the academic year **2016-2017** and shall be valid through the academic year **2020-2021**. The memorandum may be renewed by mutual written consent at least six (6) months prior to the expiration date.

Proposals to amend this Memorandum may be made by either institution at any time. Amendments only take effect when mutual, written consent exists.

This Memorandum may be terminated by either institution at any time provided that the terminating institution gives written notice of its intention at least six months prior to the termination date and that no activities already in progress are unduly affected by such termination.

Signed on behalf of the

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President....

Date:

Signed on behalf of
Leiden University

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Prof. Carel Stolker
Rector Magnificus and President

Date: