



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN UNIVERSIDAD DE GUADALAJARA AND

MEIJI UNIVERSITY

With the objective of strengthening their mutual cooperation as well as striving for the promotion of mutual exchanges, **Universidad de Guadalajara**, **Jalisco**, **Mexico**, hereinafter referred to as **UDEG**, a public body, decentralized from the State Government of Jalisco, with full autonomy and property ownership rights, as stated in article 1° of its Organic Law, promulgated by the local Executive on the 15th day of January, 1994 in the execution of the decree number 15319 of the Honorable Congress of the State of Jalisco; with legal domicile at Juárez Avenue, number 976, Colonia Centro, Postal Code 44100 in Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico; with its Rector General, Dr. Ricardo Villanueva Lomelí as the highest executive authority and its legal representative, conforming to that which is stipulated in article 32° of the Organic Law of UDEG;

and **Meiji University**, **Tokyo**, **Japan**, hereinafter referred to as **MU**, a private body, established pursuant to the provisions of the School Education Act (Act No. 26 of March 31, 1947) and Standards for Establishment of Universities (Order of the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture No. 28 of October 22, 1956) and other laws and regulations; with legal domicile at 1-1 Kanda-Surugadai, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 101-8301; with its President, Professor Masao Ueno as its legal representative, conforming to that which is stipulated in article 3 of the MU Regulations,

conclude this Memorandum of Understanding (hereafter referred to as "MOU):

Article 1: Fields of Cooperation

Cooperation between the two Parties will be undertaken from the perspective of promoting academic and cultural ties. Such cooperation includes educational and research activities in those areas that are of interest to both signatory Parties.

Article 2: Forms of Cooperation

- 1 Both Parties agree that their cooperation may include but will not be limited to the following areas:
 - 1) Exchange of faculty members and/or researchers from both Parties:



- 2) Facilitation of the acceptance of academic stays for faculty members and researchers from both Parties who are preparing for their doctoral dissertations;
- 3) Promotion of collaborative research and collaborative publication of research results by faculty members and researchers from both Parties;
- 4) Exchange of students from both Parties;
- 5) Exchange of reference data, publications, and academic information and literature;
- 6) Facilitation of the mutual exchange of administrative and secretarial personnel attached to the academic departments and colleges, research laboratories and centers, libraries, and assorted administrative bodies of each Party.
- 7) Other activities agreed upon by the Parties for the execution of this MOU.
- 2 Any conditions of implementing the activities referred to in this MOU will be negotiated and agreed by both Parties in advance of commencing the activities, and shall be detailed, in writing, in the corresponding signed specific agreements as it is referred in Article 3.
- 3 The Parties agree to financially support the work programs, projects and activities that originate out from this MOU, to the extent of their budgetary availability.

Article 3: Specific Agreements

- 1 The Parties agree that the proposed programs, projects or work agreements that arise from this MOU, will be elevated to the category of Specific Agreements of collaboration and will be considered annexes to this MOU, once signed by their representatives.
- 2 The specific proposed agreements will describe, in precise detail and with complete accordance, the activities to be developed, the responsibilities of each Party, the budget for each activity, a definition of the sources of finance, the personnel involved, the facilities and equipment to be used, a working calendar, and anything else necessary to precisely determine the aim and scope of each of the said agreements that will be the operative documents of this MOU.
- 3 If convenient, both Parties may jointly or separately seek before other institutions, governmental agencies, and national and international organizations, to obtain the necessary resources for the development of the programs and the activities relating to the Specific Agreements, if such resources cannot be provided either completely or partially by the Parties.

Article 4: Exchange of Faculty Members, Researchers (academic personnel) and Staff

1 When both Parties agree and will implement the exchange of academic personnel and/or staff, such agreement(s) and its detailed conditions shall be set forth in a Specific Agreement derived from this MOU.



- 2 Both Parties will endeavor to facilitate visits by faculty members, researchers and staff from the other Party, if they comply with the administrative procedures required by, and the regulations of both the host and the home institution, so that they get authorized for the stay.
- 3 Both Parties may provide economic support and information assistance for visiting faculty members, researchers and/or staff from the other Party, but are not required to do so.
- 4 To the extent possible, both Parties will accord visiting faculty members and researchers from the other Party the use of research space, libraries and other facilities, and other common courtesies generally granted to guest scholars.

Article 5: Student Exchanges

When both Parties agree and will implement the exchange of undergraduate and/or graduate students, such agreement and its detailed conditions shall be set forth in a Specific Agreement derived from this MOU.

Article 6: Follow-up of this MOU

- 1 The Parties shall designate their personnel responsible for the administration and follow-up of the activities arising from this MOU, who also shall propose the signing of Specific Agreements.
- 2 The Parties shall not be liable for damages caused by force majeure or fortuitous events that may prevent the continuation of this MOU. Once these events have been overcome, the activities may be resumed in the manner and terms determined by the Parties.

Article 7: Confidentiality

The Parties agree to consider as confidential all information related to the activities of UDEG to which MU has access, and vice versa, as a result of this MOU, and which is not public.

Article 8: Validity of the MOU

1 This MOU will come into force on the date of January 30th 2024 and will remain in effect for a period of five (5) years. This MOU may be renewed, modified or terminated if either Party so requests the other Party at least six (6) months in advance and in writing. If there are ongoing collaborative actions, they shall not be affected by the termination of this MOU.

2 This MOU will be drawn up in English language, in two originals, with one copy for each university. Either copy is of equal validity.



Place: Guadalajara, Jalisco, México

Date:

Place: Tokyo, Japan

Date:

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UNIVERSIDAD DE GUADALAJARA

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MEIJI UNIVERSITY

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