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To whom it may concern,

PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION

I am writing to express the willingness of Bradford Centre of Sustainable Environments to collaborate in an international network with Teheran University, Department of Industrial Engineering, Tehran University, Research Institute of Management and Planning Energy, and University of Bradford, School of Management. The aim of the network will be to facilitate knowledge and information transfer, faculty exchange and research seminars/ professional lectures with invited scholars from each party. It is proposed that Mr M. Reza Abdi of University of Bradford, School of Management, will be the network co-ordinator. The Centre of Sustainable Environments is also willing to examine the potential for future joint research activities in its area of competence.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

Professor Simon Tait
Director, Bradford Centre for Sustainable Environments
University of Bradford

Memorandum of Understanding

Between

University of Bradford

And

University of Tehran, College of Engineering

The University of Bradford (UoB) and the University of Tehran, College of Engineering wish to intensify the existing cooperative relations between the two institutions, especially to develop academic and cultural interchanges through mutual assistance in the areas of education, research, technology and commercialization of science and technology, technology transfer and customization and localization through the following agreement.

This Memorandum of Understanding (henceforth MoU) is intended provide a basis on which a formal Agreement may be drawn up between the two parties in accordance with and under the terms of UoB's Quality Assurance Arrangements for Collaborative Provision, to regulate the academic, financial, administrative and practical arrangements under which these operate. The intention is that a formal Agreement will be drawn up and signed by both parties in time for the academic year commencing September 2013.

1. Participating Parties

The participating parties will be the University of Bradford and the University of Tehran, College of Engineering.

2. Area

The area of cooperation includes, subject to mutual consent, any programme offered by either of the participating parties in the area of Operations and Industrial Management as felt desirable and feasible on either side to foster and develop the cooperative relationship between the two institutions.

3. Methods

Assistance may be carried out, subject to availability of funds and the relevant approval processes and policies of each institution, through such activities or programs as:

1. Joint research activities (including exchange of faculty members and research students). Faculty exchange and/or visiting Ph.D. students can be hosted by each party for up to two visitors per year; each can last for up to 6 months.
2. Planning joint research projects and drafting joint research proposals by the academics of both parties, which can be funded by any UK/Iran based research bodies.
3. Development of networking activities with the joint research institutes and centre of excellences.
4. Participation in seminars and academic meetings (workshops, conferences and symposiums).

5. Exchange of academic materials and other information.
6. Special short-term academic development programmes.
7. Joint supervision of M.Sc. and Ph.D. thesis.
8. Joint supervision of post doc researchers.
9. Establishment of joint B.Sc., M.Sc., MBA and Ph.D. programmes.
10. Cooperation in the scientific committees of M.Sc. and Ph.D. thesis and joint research projects.
11. Cooperation in establishment of multi disciplinary programmes in M.Sc. and Ph.D. courses.
12. Each institution may facilitate the joint publication of books, and the inclusion of specialist works from the other institution in its own journals, providing they meet the regulations of the journal in question.
13. Other activities as deemed mutually appropriate.

The terms of such mutual assistance and necessary budget for each program and activities shall be mutually discussed and agreed upon in writing by both parties prior to the initiation of the particular program or activity, and such program and activity shall be negotiated on a mutual basis. All programmes and activities will be subject to the parties entering formal binding agreements.

4. Intellectual Property

The disposition of intellectual property created by the participating parties in performance of this MoU will be guided by the generating University's applicable policies and the following principles:

Disclosure: The participating parties will disclose such Intellectual Property from one to another as they may determine in their sole discretion may facilitate the performance of the research and training activities of this MoU and will agree appropriate measures to be taken regarding the Intellectual Property, including but not limited to confidentiality.

Ownership: Intellectual Property created in performance of this MoU shall be owned by the generating University in accordance with the policies and procedures of that party.

Right to Use: Each participating party will have a non-exclusive, royalty-free license to use the Intellectual Property disclosed by the other party pursuant to this MoU to discuss and decide whether to progress with any of the activities anticipated by this MoU. Any other use will be subject to the negotiation of a license agreement with the owners of the subject Intellectual Property. All right to use such Intellectual Property will cease on termination of this MoU.

5. Principles

Both parties assert that participants under this Memorandum of Understanding will be selected on the basis of their merit without regard to race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, age, sex, marital status or disability. The University of Bradford and the University of Tehran will each accept the participants selected by the other party if acceptable academic and/or professional qualifications and standards are met. All participants will be treated in the same non-discriminatory manner in carrying out the provisions of this MoU, subject to the provision of the policies and requirements of each of the institutions.

Any violation of these Principles will be considered as grounds for terminating this MoU.

6. Effective Date and Length of Memorandum of Understanding

This MoU will remain in force for a period of two years, and any amendment and/or modification of the MoU will require written approval of the chief administrative office of each contracting institution and shall be appended hereto.

After the initial two-year period, this MoU may be renewed subject to the written approval of both parties.

Either party reserves the right to terminate this MoU upon six months written notice to the other.

This MoU shall take effect when signed by both parties.

For University of Bradford:

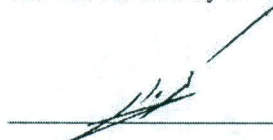


Professor Mark Cleary

Vice Chancellor and Principal

Date:

For the University of Tehran:



Professor Mahmoud Kamarei

Dean, College of Engineering

Date: