



**Letter of Agreement
Between
Faculty of Engineering,
Prince of Songkla University
and
Faculty of Engineering,
Andalas University**



Faculty of Engineering, Prince of Songkla University (FOE PSU), Thailand and Faculty of Engineering, Andalas University (FOE UNAND), Indonesia believe that mutual benefits can be derived by bridging their two faculties on the two universities, achieving a closer relationship by linking their scholars, students, and personnel. Both faculties of two universities share the strong conviction that mutual understanding among people can be promoted through the establishment of academic links. Therefore, both faculties of two universities agree to enter into this Letter of Agreement (LOA).

Article I: Principle of Cooperation

FOE PSU and FOE UNAND agree to develop their academic links under the principle of mutual understanding, mutual benefits, common interests, and mutually complementary activities.

Article II: Objectives of Cooperation

- (1) to promote individual contacts among scholars, students, and personnel of both faculties on two universities,
- (2) to promote links in teaching, research, and cultural activities,
- (3) to provide opportunities for both staff and students exchanges, however, such exchange not need to be equally reciprocated,
- (4) to develop and to encourage joint research, seminars, conferences, workshops, and to also assist each other in obtaining external funding from outside sources,
- (5) to develop, when opportunities avails, joint study programs,
- (6) to share experiences and expertise concerning university administration and management,
- (7) to encourage any other activities that both universities agree to be of mutual benefit.

Article III: Areas of Cooperation

Areas of cooperation can include any academic or other programs offered by FOE PSU and FOE UNAND.

Article IV: Implementation

It is understood and agreed that

- (1) Proposal for collaborative projects under this LOA will be submitted through the Chief Executive Officer of each faculty of universities, and it is recommended that reports should be submitted to each Chief Executive Officer at the completion of each project.

- (2) Each faculty of university will continue to pay the regular in-country salary of its staff members on exchange or visiting programs. However, under specific contracts or secondments, the host university may consider paying a supplemental salary to visiting scholars during the period of their assignment.
- (3) To encourage student mobilization, the host university will assist in every way it could in finding reasonable accommodation for participating students.
- (4) Student mobilization will apply to undergraduate and graduate/post graduate student at both faculties of universities, and may include practical or industrial attachments.
- (5) Financial arrangements for collaborative research, seminars, workshops, conferences, and other such activities will be negotiated separately and will be subject to the availability of funds.
- (6) The host university is not responsible to cover the costs of medical treatment of hospitalization for visiting scholars or students, and it is recommended that visitors obtain overseas health insurance coverage from their home country.

Article V: Duration and Termination of the Agreement

- (1) This LOA is effective as of the date of signature by the Chief Executive Officer of each participating faculty of universities.
- (2) This LOA may be amended at any time as indicated by written mutual consent.
- (3) This LOA may be terminated by either faculty of universities by the provision of written notice of termination not less than six months prior to the desired termination date. However, both universities agree that all continuing obligation to students, staff, funding bodies or other entities are met in full subsequent to the notice of termination.

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Dean,
March 11, 2013

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