

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

For Establishment Of **THE ASEAN+3 UNIVERSITY NETWORK**

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De La Salle University	Chiang Mai University
University of Philippines	Chulalongkorn University
Nanyang Technological University	Mahidol University
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This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is a non-binding expression of intent between the member universities of the ASEAN University Network (AUN) and the universities from the Plus Three countries, comprising the People Republic of China, Japan and the Republic of Korea, to an establishment of the ASEAN+3 University Network. The member universities of the AUN and the Plus Three countries hereinafter referred to collectively as "Participating Universities" or singularly as "Participating University" and the ASEAN+3 University Network may be referred to as "ASEAN+3 UNet";

RECALLING the thrust of academic cooperation between the member of ASEAN+3 UNet which is mutually beneficial for all;

MINDFUL of the recommendation of the ASEAN+3 Higher Education Policy Dialogue agreed upon by the participating universities of the ASEAN+3 countries in Phuket, Thailand on 21-22 March 2009 as well as the ASEAN Plus Three Cooperation Work Plan (2007-2017) which the ASEAN University Network (AUN) bound to promote higher education, increase linkages between universities and encourage credit transfer between universities in ASEAN+3 countries;

REALIZING the immense potential for academic cooperation between the Participating Universities of the ASEAN+3 UNet;

AFFIRMING with unremitting effort to strengthen ASEAN+3 university networking through various programmes and activities, based on the principles of mutual respect and trust, equality and sincerity in cooperation, and take action on the basis of broad participation and shared responsibilities;

ATTEMPTING to alleviate and, if possible, eliminate obstacles to, as well as constraints on, the academic and non-academic cooperation between the Participating Universities;

STRESSING that the areas of cooperation under this MOU shall be complementary to the relevant activities carried out in other ASEAN+3 forums;

DO HEREBY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

The Participating Universities, as founding members of the ASEAN+3 UNet, shall endeavour to promote human resource and capacity development to further strengthen the academic cooperation among the ASEAN+3 universities and institutions of higher learning in East Asian region through the establishment of the ASEAN+3 UNet.

I. OBJECTIVE

The objective of this MOU is to establish a framework to assist the Participating Universities in collaborating for mutual and public benefit and through open and reciprocal exchange of information/ scholars/ experts/ researchers/ faculty members/ faculty fellows/ students on all aspects necessary to ensure a successful partnership.

II. ACTIVITIES

Subject to availability of funds and applicable regulations of individual member university, Participating University will exchange a variety of relevant information and resource persons and participate in cooperative activities including but not limited to the following:

1. The ASEAN+3 Collaborative Academic Programme in various fields of common interests including Science & Technology, ICT, Economics, Art and Culture, ASEAN Studies and East Asian Studies;
2. Student and faculty exchange for academic and non-academic programmes such as joint research, joint degree programme, staff training, visiting professors, scholarship programme, internship, summer school, academic conference, cultural exchange, community services, and joint publication;
3. Information networking among Participating Universities; and
4. Other programmes/ activities that may be formulated in consultation with Participating Universities

III. MANAGEMENT AND FUNDING

1. The ASEAN University Network (AUN) Secretariat shall serve as the permanent secretariat of the ASEAN+3 UNet, and shall hereby be responsible for the management and implementation arrangements of the programmes/ activities under the ASEAN+3 UNet initiative;
2. Unless receiving financial support from external funds, within the region or beyond, Participating Universities shall be responsible for the costs of participation in the ASEAN+3 UNet activities on a cost-sharing basis.

IV. ADDITIONAL MEMBERS

An admission of new members into the ASEAN+3 UNet shall be conducted in accordance with the recommendation of the governments/ authorise agencies responsible for higher education of the ASEAN Plus Three member countries in consultation with the AUN Secretariat unless otherwise agreed upon by the Participating Universities;

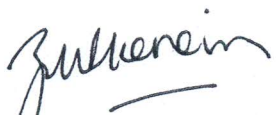
V. COMMENCEMENT, MODIFICATION AND TERMINATION

Cooperation under this MOU may commence upon the completion of signing by the Participating Universities. The MOU may be modified at any time by mutual determination of the Participants in writing. If any Participating University desires to terminate this MOU, it should endeavour to provide 120 days advance written notice to the AUN Secretariat.


Done at the first ASEAN+3 Rectors' Conference held in Beijing, on the First Day of November of the Year Two Thousand and Twelve.

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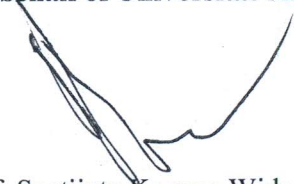
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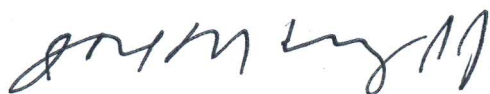
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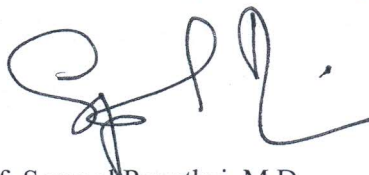

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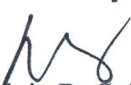
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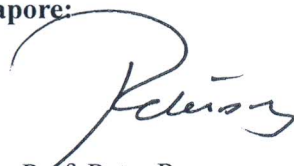
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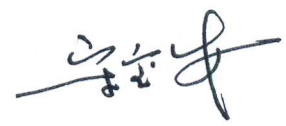
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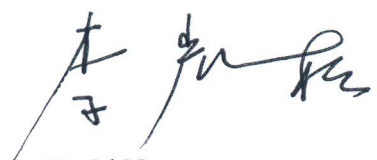
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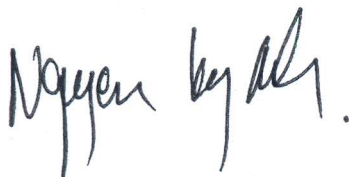
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TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE ASEAN PLUS THREE UNIVERSITY NETWORK

I. MISSION

The ASEAN Plus Three University Network (henceforth known as ASEAN+3 UNet) shall facilitate closer collaboration and cooperation between higher education institutions in ASEAN Plus Three countries, bearing in mind the vision expressed by ASEAN Plus Three Leaders in the 2nd Joint Statement on East Asia Cooperation and the ASEAN Plus Three Cooperation Work Plan (2007-2017) adopted in 2007 to "further deepen and broaden East Asian cooperation with tangible impact on the quality of life of the people of East Asia". The ASEAN+3 UNet shall also further deliberate, prepare and propose recommendations to the ASEAN Plus Three Senior Officials Meeting on Education and the ASEAN Plus Three Minister Meeting on Education, as and when necessary.

II. COMPOSITION

The ASEAN+3 UNet shall be composed of Presidents, Rectors, Vice Chancellors or designated representatives of the ASEAN University Network (AUN) Member Universities and the universities from the People's Republic of China, Japan, the Republic of Korea and Executive Director of the AUN Secretariat.

III. FREQUENCY OF MEETING

The ASEAN+3 UNet shall meet under the ASEAN+3 Rectors' Conference which shall convene biennially in ASEAN+3 Countries unless the meeting agreed otherwise.

IV. CHAIRMANSHIP

The chairmanship of the ASEAN+3 UNet shall be held by the president of the host university for the next ASEAN+3 Rectors' Conference. The tenure of chairmanship shall be for 2 years. This will begin at the end of each ASEAN+3 Rectors' Conference.

V. SUPPORT FOR MEETING

The university hosting the Meeting shall provide the necessary administrative services/ support, the arrangements of facilities and hospitality.

The AUN Secretariat shall prepare draft agenda, documentation and summary record of discussion.

VI. AMENDMENTS

These Terms of Reference shall be adopted at the 1st ASEAN+3 Rectors' Conference.