



#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between National Skills University, Islamabad and Khwaja Fareed University of Engineering and Information Technology, Rahim Yar Khan On Research Collaboration

This Memorandum of Understanding (the MoU) is made at Lahore on this Monday of March 09, 2020

#### Between

National Skills University, Islamabad (hereinafter referred to as the "NSU") of the first part,

#### AND

The Khwaja Fareed University of Engineering and Information Technology, Rahim Yar Khan (hereinafter referred to as the "KFUEIT RYK") of the second part,

WHEREAS recognizing that mutual scientific and technical cooperation will advance the state of science, engineering and technology within the country and strengthen the technological infrastructure and will bring benefits to both sides, do hereby agree to cooperate in future. NSU and KFUEIT RYK undertake to pursue a program of scientific and technical collaboration for the exchange of ideas, skills and techniques on problems of mutual interest as agreed from time to time.

### ARTICLE 1 PURPOSE OF THE MOU

The purpose of this MoU is to provide framework to KFUEIT RYK and NSU to cooperate and coordinate with each other on the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth. A formal Linkage between KFUEIT RYK and NSU is considered vital to boost research and technical cooperation in all field of technology within the country and to bring benefit to both sides by sharing resources wherever possible.

#### ARTICLE 2 SCOPE OF COOPERATION

NOW, THEREFORE, both the Parties have entered into the Memorandum of Understanding on the following terms: -

- Exchange and training of scientific and technical personnel for teaching, research and development in all field of Science and Technology.
- Co-operated scientific research and technological development programmes and projects of national interest as well as projects of indigenous production of advance scientific equipment.

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- 3) Possibilities for researchers (faculty and students) from KFUEIT RYK to work at departments of NSU as full time hosted researcher.
- 4) Supervision of research students in selected areas of mutual interest.
- 5) Holding of joint conferences, seminar s, symposia, workshops and invited lectures at national and international level possibly through a joint calendar of scientific activities.
- 6) Exchange of archives, publications and information.
- 7) Arrangements for provision of easy access to researchers for entrance in the premises of NSU and KFUEIT RYK for collaborative research activities / visits and use of each other's research and teaching facilities after necessary security clearance.

# ARTICLE 3 ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Detailed administrative and financial arrangements for the purpose of this MoU will be decided on case to case basis by both Parties depending upon the specific nature and requirements in each case. Final decision will be made with the mutual agreement of KFUEIT RYK, NSU and the relevant stakeholders. Both NSU and KFUEIT RYK will jointly, exercise their influence to raise funds for the tasks to be carried out under this MoU.

# ARTICLE 4 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

The decision about all matters linked with the intellectual property rights under the MoU shall be made in advance and in full agreement of the concerned stakeholders. Achievements in scientific research will be published if the Parties agree to exchange their publications. The Parties shall share the achievements in cooperative scientific research and may use them for their own purpose. In necessary cases, the patent affairs will be resolved through consultation between the Parties.

# ARTICLE 5 AMENDMENTS

Necessary amendments in this MoU can be made with mutual consent of KFUEIT RYK and NSU. In order to avoid any disruptions in the smooth execution of the activities related to the relevant Articles, the requesting side will submit an amendment proposal in writing well in advance, giving sufficient time to both KFUEIT RYK and NSU to consider and discuss the proposed amendments for the final decision.

## ARTICLE 6 LIAISON OFFICERS

The liaison officers on behalf of KFUEIT RYK & NSU, to undertake the actions pursuant to the realization of the objectives of this MoU and any request, notice or amendment related to this MoU between the Parties will be communicated through the following points of contact:

Khwaja Fareed University of Engineering and Information Technology, Rahim Yar Khan

National Skills University, Islamabad





# ARTICLE 7 DURATION AND TERMINATION

This MoU will remain in effect for ten (10) years from the date of signature below and it will be renewed automatically at the end of every ten (10) years unless either of the parties gives at least six (06) months prior notices in writing about their intention to terminate the agreement.

## ARTICLE 8 SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

All disputes concerning this MoU shall be settled with mutual agreement of KFUEIT & NSU with the spirit of goodwill and accommodation. In case, a settlement cannot take place, a process of arbitration will be employed to arrive at a satisfactory agreement. The modalities of arbitration shall be decided in advance.

# ARTICLE 9 COMING INTO FORCE

In acknowledgement of the above mentioned terms and declarations, this MoU shall come into force immediately after being signed by the Vice Chancellor NSU Islamabad and the Vice Chancellor KFUEIT RYK. This MoU is prepared in two identical copies and each party holds one original duly signed copy.

Signed By:

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Suleman Tahir

Vice Chancellor KFUEIT, Rahim Yar Khan

Date: March 09, 2020

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Mukhtar

Vice Chancellor

National Skills University, Islamabad

Date: March 09, 2020