

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, USA

and

The American University in Cairo, Egypt

The American University in Cairo, Egypt (hereafter referred to as "AUC"), and the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology of the USA (hereafter referred to as "SDSMT"), believing that they have a common interest in developing academic, educational, and scientific collaboration, set forth this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

ARTICLE I

Purpose

All collaborative efforts will be entered into with due diligence given to ethical and professional considerations and standards. Cooperative activities will be developed on the basis of equality and reciprocity, and will promote sustainable partnerships.

ARTICLE II

Scope of Activities

Both universities undertake to promote and develop academic cooperation through, but not restricted to, academic cooperation of students and faculty, research activities initiated by individual faculty, exchange of academic materials and publications, study visits and participation in seminars and meetings. AUC and SDSMT agree to discuss further cooperative activities as opportunities arise. Both institutions recognize that collaborative efforts will be of mutual benefit and will contribute to an enduring institutional linkage for cooperation in education and research.

ARTICLE III

Activity Agreements

Detailed plans for activities shall be negotiated in separate Activity Agreements that will comprise addenda to the MOU. Activity Agreements shall include such terms as:

1. Elaboration of the responsibilities of each institution for the agreed upon activity.
2. Schedules for the specific activity.
3. Budgets and sources of financing for each activity. Activities depend on the availability of funds. Both universities agree to seek financial support for the activities specified in Activity Agreements.
4. Legal considerations for each university's home country and governing body.
5. Specification of Intellectual Property Rights and Publication.

ARTICLE IV
Amendments, Duration, and Termination

This Memorandum of Understanding becomes effective on the date of signature by both institutions. It is valid for five years with the understanding that it can be terminated by either party with six months' notice, unless an earlier termination is mutually agreed upon. Revisions or modifications may be proposed at any time, effective from the date of written agreement signed by both parties. Differing viewpoints and interpretations of the MOU shall be settled amicably by mutual consultation. In case the MOU ceases to be in effect, this shall not affect the completion of existing activities as agreed upon in Activity Agreements.

For The American University in Cairo:

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