



## **Memorandum of Understanding**

Between

Aberystwyth University, UK

And

Yosano Town Government, Japan

### **1. Rationale for the Agreement**

Aberystwyth University (Penglais, Aberystwyth, Wales, SY23 2AX, United Kingdom) and Yosano Town Government ( 1798-1 Iwataki Yosano-cho Yoza-gun Kyoto-fu 629-2292) hereby enter into this Memorandum of Understanding as means of promoting academic collaboration and cultural co-operation.

Both institutions declare that they have significant areas of common academic interest which it would be beneficial for them to explore jointly.

### **2. Purpose of the Agreement**

The purpose of this Memorandum is to facilitate continued dialogue between the two institutions with specific reference to:

- 2.1 the identification of areas of possible mutual academic interest and in particular the provision of relevant courses;
- 2.2 the identification of potential research opportunities and initiatives;
- 2.3 the dissemination of information and the sharing of experiences among staff and students of the two institutions
- 2.4 the provision of English language academic skills and other relevant courses as required.

### **3. The Memorandum**

Under this Memorandum the two institutions may seek to:

- 3.1 facilitate the exchange of staff, students and researchers for the purpose of teaching, study and academic research;
- 3.2 encourage a reciprocal exchange of books, publications and other academic information, subject to there being no legal restrictions on such exchanges;
- 3.3 undertake joint research, including publications and other appropriate activities, between staff and/or students from each institution;

- 3.4 support other cognate activities, (for example, participation in conferences, academic meetings, and joint exhibitions)

#### 4. Future Developments

The two institutions will seek to identify areas of possible collaboration that will form the basis of a separate and formal Memorandum of Agreement outlining the legal obligations of each of the institutions and the quality assurance processes that will apply. Examples of such collaborations include:

- staff or student exchange programmes. Neither institution is expected to be liable for significant additional costs as a result of introducing such a programme.
- the development of a collaborative programme which leads to an award of one or both of the partners.

#### 5. Institutional Coordinators

Each institution will nominate a coordinator who is responsible for ensuring effective communications between the two institutions.

#### 6. Implementation

This Memorandum shall have effect for up to three years from 1<sup>st</sup> March 2015, after which time the two parties may renew it by an exchange of letters. Aberystwyth University will maintain a public list of all such memoranda.

#### 7. Termination

This Memorandum may be terminated by either party giving the other six months written notice or the conclusion of a Memorandum of Agreement arising out of this Memorandum of Understanding.

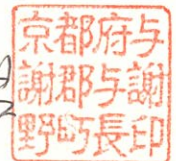


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