

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between
Japan Institution for Higher Education Evaluation
Tokyo, Japan
and

Korean Council for University Education- Korean University Accreditation Institute
Seoul, Republic of Korea

This Memorandum of Understanding is made between Japan Institution for Higher Education Evaluation at 2F Daini-Seiko Building, 4-2-11 Kudan-kita, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 102-0073 (hereafter referred to as JIHEE) and Korean Council for University Education-Korean University Accreditation Institute at 22~23F Daesung DPOLIS tower A, 606 Seobusaet-gil, Geumcheon-gu, Seoul 08504 (hereafter referred to as KCUE-KUAI).

Foreword

Whereas:

Japan Institution for Higher Education Evaluation, which was established in 2004, works for the development of higher education in Japan by the voluntary efforts and mutual assistance of member institutions. The purpose of foundation is to contribute to the development of institutions of higher education in Japan by evaluating the situation of those institutions, including education and research activities, and supporting the institutions' autonomous efforts to enhance and improve quality.

Korean Council for University Education, which was established in 1982, work for the sound development of higher education in Republic of Korea by promoting inter-institutional cooperation concerning major issues common to four-year universities and colleges, and increase the autonomy, initiative, public accountability, and overall quality of higher education institutions in South Korea by making recommendations to the government and ensuring their realization in education policies

Korean University Accreditation Institute, as a part of KCUE presents the standards and guidelines for quality enhancement of universities, and contributes to promoting the development of university education and producing outstanding individuals by carrying out evaluation, including the assessment and accreditation of universities.

JIHEE, KCUE- KUAI

Having similar missions and institutional objectives in the advancement of quality assurance in higher education, the above two organizations now wish to establish closer relations as equal partners for the purpose of creating cooperative and collaborative mechanisms for the mutual benefit of both parties.

HAVE REACHED AN UNDERSTANDING as follows:

ARTICLE I: Aims of Memorandum of Understanding

JIHEE and KCUE-KUAI agree hereby to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding to cooperate for the benefit of all two parties and to work towards establishing amicable collaborative fellowship to enhance the operation of external quality assurance in all two jurisdictions and improve the quality of higher education in Japan and Korea.

ARTICLE II: Areas of Co-operation and Collaboration

JIHEE and KCUE-KUAI will, subject to the laws, rules, regulations and national policies from time to time in force governing the subject matter in their respective countries, endeavour to take necessary steps to encourage and promote

technical co-operation that will be of mutual benefit to both participants in the following areas:

- (a) To exchange unclassified information in terms of quality assurance.
- (b) To collaborate on quality assurance projects and disseminate educational resources which are recognized by each party.
- (c) To collaborate in joint research of mutual benefit, promote academic exchanges periodically and share the outcomes and them to the world.
- (d) To provide developmental opportunities as appropriate for staff of the two parties.
- (e) To exchange experts who would take part in the evaluation on HEIs of the other party as observers when appropriate.
- (f) To co-operate in any other agreed activities related to quality assurance for the benefit of both parties, thereto.

ARTICLE III: Alteration of Memorandum

This Memorandum is signed by the two parties in a spirit of amicable cooperation. The terms of the Memorandum may be altered with the consent of all two parties.

ARTICLE IV: Officers responsible for managing the Memorandum

The President of JIHEE (at the time of signing Toshiji KURODA), the Chairman of KCUE and the President of KUIA (at the time of signing Hyang Jin HUR, Ph.D and Joon Yul CHOI, Ph.D.) will have responsibility for managing the implementation of the terms of the Memorandum. This responsibility may be delegated to relevant members of the agencies' staff in relation to particular areas of cooperation.

ARTICLE V: Financial Understanding

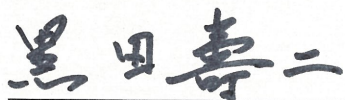
This Memorandum of Understanding will not give rise to any financial obligation by one party to the other. Each party will bear its own cost and expenses in relation to this Understanding.

ARTICLE VI: Validity of Memorandum

This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect on the date of signing and will remain in effect for a period of five (5) years. Notwithstanding anything in this Memorandum of Understanding, either Participant may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding by notifying the other party of its intention to terminate this Memorandum of Understanding by a notice in writing at least one (1) month prior to its intention to do so. It may be extended on mutual agreement of both parties. This Memorandum will be written in Japanese, Korean and English. All three Memorandums are equally valid. In the event of any divergence of interpretation between any of the texts, the English text shall prevail.

In witness whereof, the undersigned duly authorized have signed this Memorandum of Understanding in duplicate in English language.

Date: Dec. 16, 2016.....



Toshiji KURODA

President

JIHEE

Japan

Date: Dec. 16, 2016.....



Hyang Jin HUR

Chairman

KCUE

Korea



Joon Yul CHOI

President

KUIA

Korea