



### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

#### between

## **Japan Institution for Higher Education Evaluation (JIHEE)**

and

# **Philippine Association of Colleges and Universities**

# **Commission on Accreditation (PACUCOA)**

- 1. The Japan Institution for Higher Education Evaluation (JIHEE) and the Philippine Association of Colleges and Universities Commission on Accreditation (PACUCOA), agree to promote mutual understanding and cooperation in the following fields:
- **1.1** to exchange unclassified information and materials in the field of quality assurance or related concerns of interest to both agencies.
- 1.2 to enhance awareness of the existence of quality assurance system, its role in ensuring the quality of transnational activities and the specific role and capabilities of the quality audit and accreditation system.
- 1.3 to encourage exchanges and visits in the following categories: staffs, auditors or accreditors or other specialists, to participate as observers or accreditors in institutional and program audits or accreditation, and to be involved in training activities when appropriate and possible.
- **1.4** to collaborate in relation to the quality assurance in the various fields which are common interests to both agencies.

- 2. Specific details for the implementation of these activities will be developed mutually for specific projects.
- 3. Unless alternative arrangements are specifically agreed to undertake particular activities, each agency will normally cover their own costs of implementing the terms of the Memorandum. For particular areas of cooperation, donor funding may be sought from other sources.

This memorandum of understanding will be in effect from the date of signature for a period of five years. It shall be extended automatically for an additional period of five years at each expiration date unless either party gives six months advance notice in writing to terminate the agreements.

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