



Global Institute for Food, Nutrition and Health
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Panjab University

and

NNEdPro Global Institute for Food, Nutrition and Health

Memorandum of Understanding


Registrar
Panjab University
Chandigarh

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DATE: _____

PARTIES:

- (1) Panjab University, India of Sectors 14 & 25 of the city of Chandigarh ("Panjab University")
- (2) NNEdPro Global Institute for Food, Nutrition and Health], having its principal office at St John's Innovation Centre, Cowley Road, Cambridge, CB4 0WS, UK ("Partner")

Each a "Party" and together "Parties"

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Parties recognise the mutual benefit of exploring opportunities to work together. This Memorandum of Understanding ("**Memorandum**") is intended to promote co-operation and the advancement of understanding between the Parties to their mutual benefit.

1.2 The Parties agree to co-operate with each other in an amicable manner with a view to achieving the successful operation of this Memorandum.

1.3 This Memorandum is intended only to provide the general principles and key terms for initial co-operation and to facilitate further discussions.

2. PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF CO-OPERATION

2.1 The Parties shall initiate discussions between them and explore areas of co-operation for their mutual benefit in relation to the following:

- Joint research and educational activities of common interest
- Jointly taking forward programmes such as the Certificate Course on Leadership and Management and Culinary Enterprise (Chefs Training)
- Future joint internships and additional post-graduate studentships,
- Exchange of students for research (example – Mobile Teaching Kitchen Initiative - Microenterprise action research)
- Exchange of faculty members for research, lectures and discussions (which may require honorary cross appointments in either direction)
- Joint Participation Papers

- Application for Funding (depending on the nature of the funding and whether Panjab University or NNEdPro is the lead partner, we will negotiate income sharing or subcontracting arrangements on a case-by-case basis per proposals)
- Research grants and advisory services contracts
- NNEdPro brings many strategic partnerships (<https://www.nnedpro.org.uk/partners>) which might be utilised for bringing added value to a joint PU-NNEdPro piece of work

Any arrangements subsequent to or as a result of the cooperation and activities stated in this clause 2.1 will be detailed in a separate agreement as necessary.

2.2 For the purpose of this Memorandum, the principles of collaboration the Parties will follow are as follows:

- a) collaborate and co-operate and be open with each other;
- b) share information, experience and skills, to learn from each other and develop effective working practices, work collaboratively to identify solutions, eliminate duplication of effort and be aware of risk and costs;
- c) This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) imposes no financial liability on either parties. Any activities or projects arising from this MoU that require financial commitments from either party will be governed by separate financial agreements, to be negotiated and agreed upon in writing by both parties prior to the commencement of such activities.

2.5 In order to facilitate program planning, attempts will be made to hold meeting [on a half-yearly] between representatives of Panjab University and NNEdPro Global Institute for Food, Nutrition and Health. The purpose of such meeting will be to develop close contacts and understanding of the needs and priorities of the two institutions and to establish the framework of future academic co-operation.

3. Confidentiality

The discussions relating to any contemplated transactions shall be confidential and the obligations of confidentiality herein shall be binding upon the Parties and their respective affiliates. Each Party shall be responsible for any breach of this Memorandum by any of its affiliates.

4. Collaboration

Any specific research projects shall be conducted under an appropriate separate collaboration agreements executed by the parties. Such agreements will be legally binding.

Detailed agreements for exchange of faculty and students shall be conducted under separate agreements to be signed by the Parties. These agreements will spell out the responsibility of each party in detail and may be legally binding

5. Further Agreements

3.1 While the Parties acknowledge the core objectives set out above, the Parties agree that any specific arrangements in pursuance of these general objectives will be subject to the normal review and approval processes at each institution and if approved, will be implemented by further signed agreements.

3.2 Themes of joint activities and the conditions for utilizing the results achieved and arrangements for specific visits, exchanges and other forms of cooperation, including financial arrangements, will be developed mutually for each specific case.

3.3 Each Party will pay its own costs relating to the negotiation, preparation, execution and implementation of any further agreements between the Parties.

6. Management of Co-operation

This Memorandum shall be co-ordinated by, and the Parties shall operate with each other through named contacts only. The named contacts are as follows:

Panjab University:

Academic Contact: Prof. Monika Aggarwal, UIAMS, Panjab University

NNEdPro:

Academic Contact: Prof Sumantra (Shumone) Ray

Operations Contact: Sucheta Mitra and Matheus Abrantes

7. Status

This Memorandum records the understanding between the parties. It does not create any legally binding obligations or rights between the parties and shall not be enforceable in any court of law. Any specific arrangements undertaken by the parties will be documented in separate legally binding agreements.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Memorandum as of the date first written above.

8. General Conditions

4.1 This MoU will be initiated for a period of five years. In the third year, an assessment report will document the usefulness and value of the collaboration. At this time the MoU may be extended beyond the initial five-year period by mutual agreement between the parties, or terminated any time after the end of the third year by either party giving 6 months' notice in writing. The MoU may be amended at any time by the consent of the parties confirmed in writing.

4.2 The Parties agree to respect each other's rights to intellectual property and any confidential information designated as such at the time of disclosure.

4.3 Protection and exploitation of any intellectual property rights that arise under this MoU will be agreed on a case-by-case basis, after consideration of officially laid down IPR policies of the Parties.

4.4 This MoU is a non-binding expression of the current intentions of the Parties who intend to work together to agree the terms of the specific agreements that will be required to achieve the core objectives. This MoU is not intended to be legally binding, nor to create evidence or imply any contract, obligation to enter into a contract or obligation to negotiate.

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