

DATED March 2018

**(1) UNIVERSITY OF PLYMOUTH**

and

**(2) ANNA UNIVERSITY**

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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

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## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

**University of Plymouth**

and

**Anna University**

This Memorandum of Understanding has been entered into between University of Plymouth ("Plymouth") and Anna University (Chennai) on the later of the dates stated below.

### OBJECTIVES

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to establish formal relations between the parties with a view to establishing the basis on which the parties will collaborate in order to achieve the following objectives:-

- to explore and promote co-operation and collaboration in the fields of teaching and research
- to explore, and co-operate in, the further development of the parties' relationship, particularly in the areas of progression agreements, semester abroad schemes, staff and student exchange and such other areas as the parties may agree from time to time
- to cooperate with respect to joint funding bids to the various India / UK research funds
- to broaden the experience of the faculties and students of each party, providing them with opportunities for increased cultural understanding
- to build upon this understanding and explore future areas of co-operation

### OPERATION

In pursuing the objectives set out above, the parties will, as appropriate:-

- formulate and enter into separate agreements in order to establish and operate specific projects agreed between the parties
- explore ways and means to finance joint projects through special government and other funding sources
- explore opportunities for delivery of guest lectures in both institutions
- exchange information, faculty staff and students in both academic and research programmes
- keep the arrangements between them under regular review in order to achieve the desired benefits for each party and to make any changes as necessary.

### FURTHER PROVISIONS

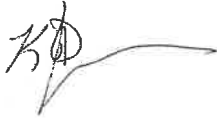
- 1 This Memorandum of Understanding sets out the general framework for the collaboration between the parties and, as required, will be supplemented by one or more detailed agreements, specifying their rights and obligations with respect to all or some of the objectives listed above. This Memorandum of Understanding is subject to contract and to the negotiation and agreement of terms and conditions satisfactory in all respects to both parties in relation to their proposed collaboration.
- 2 The parties agree and acknowledge that:-
  - a. this Memorandum of Understanding does not constitute an offer by either party to undertake any obligations on the terms set out in this Memorandum of Understanding;

- b. (with the exception, and in consideration, of the mutual undertakings contained in paragraphs 3-9 (inclusive) below which shall have legal effect), this Memorandum of Understanding does not constitute, create or give rise to (nor will its acceptance by any party so constitute, create or give rise to) legally binding rights, obligations or representations on the part of either party under any law (including, without limitation, the laws of England) nor any form of commitment on the part of either party to proceed with any projects, arrangements or transactions with the other party; and
- c. no information set out or referred to in this Memorandum of Understanding shall form the basis of any contract.

- 3 This Memorandum of Understanding shall take effect upon signature by the duly authorised representatives of both parties and shall continue in force from date of signature unless and until terminated by either party giving to the other not less than fourteen days' written notice to such effect. Termination of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be without penalty.
- 4 This Memorandum of Understanding may be modified at any time in writing, any such modifications to be dated and signed by or on behalf of each party.
- 5 The parties acknowledge that this Memorandum of Understanding is not exclusive. Each party may enter into arrangements with other institutions for similar or other purposes.
- 6 Each party agrees and acknowledges that this Memorandum of Understanding (and the information it contains) is confidential and undertakes not (without the other party's prior written consent) to disclose its existence or terms (in whole or in part) to any third party or to use it (in whole or in part) for any purpose other than to fulfil the objectives set out above.
- 7 The terms of this Memorandum of Understanding supersede all previous negotiations and discussions between the parties prior to the date of its execution.
- 8 The parties shall each bear their own costs in carrying out the actions provided for in this Memorandum of Understanding unless otherwise agreed between the parties.
- 9 To the extent that this Memorandum of Understanding does have legal effect (subject in all respects as provided above), it, and all disputes and claims arising under it, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of England and each party irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England.

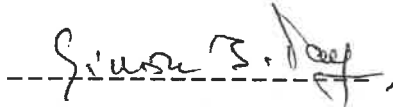
This Memorandum of Understanding between the parties has been signed by their authorized representatives.

**For the University of Plymouth**



Professor Kevin Jones  
Executive Dean  
Faculty of Science and Engineering  
University of Plymouth

Date: 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018



Professor Simon Payne  
Deputy Vice-Chancellor  
University of Plymouth

Date: 9/3/18

**For Anna University**



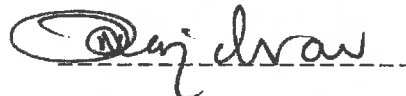
Prof. M. K. Surappa  
Vice – Chancellor  
Anna University

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



Professor S. Ganesan  
Registrar  
Anna University

Date: 21-6-18



Professor N. Rajendran  
Director  
Centre for International Affairs  
Anna University

Date: \_\_\_\_\_