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AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE
INSTITUTO TECNOLÓGICO DE COSTA RICA, CARTAGO, COSTA RICA
AND
OSNABRUECK UNIVERSITY, OSNABRUECK, GERMANY

Between the **Instituto Tecnológico de Costa Rica**, indicated hereinafter as, "**ITCR**" Cartago, Costa Rica, with legal certificate number 4-000-042145, represented by the Rector, Julio César Calvo Alvarado, PhD in Natural Resources, identification number 1-639-541, and **Osnabrück University**, indicated hereinafter as, **"UOS"**, Neuer Graben 29/Schloss, 49074 Osnabrück, Germany, represented by the President, Professor Dr. Wolfgang Lücke.

IN CONSIDERATION OF:

1. Both Parties are joined by similar interests and objectives both, academically and culturally.

2. That joint efforts in the areas of instruction, investigation and extension of technology and related sciences are necessary in order to contribute with the economic and social improvement of their nations as well as to bring them together.

3. That due to their mission and objectives, universities shall look forward to establish appropriate communication channels that will allow scientific, technological and cultural exchanges.

4. That both Parties are committed to similar objectives in areas that promote research, instruction and cultural diffusion.

5. That both Parties are legally empowered to established cooperative agreements.

We accede to establish a collaborative Agreement subject to the following stipulations:

FIRST: The objective of this Agreement is to install the basis for a reciprocal cooperation that will allow the promotion and development of activities of mutual interest, such as faculty and student exchanges, research projects, as well as the exchange of academic and/or other information of mutual interest.

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SECOND: **ITCR** and **UOS** accede to promote the development of research, educational and cultural activities developed under the scope of this Agreement.

THIRD: Both Parties will promote the development of joint research, technological, and cultural projects between the universities, as well as mutual cooperation in those areas.

FOURTH: Both Parties will facilitate faculty and students exchanges, subjected to the stipulations of their respective countries and the internal procedures of each Institution.

Faculty exchange shall be entitled to join work groups of specific projects developed by the host University, under previously established programs.

FIFTH: Both Parties will promote mutual exchange of research information, post-graduate courses, books, publications, and any other information that supports research and education.

SIXTH: For each one of the academic, research, or technology transfer activities to be developed under the scope of this Agreement, a letter of intentions shall be signed, specifying in detail the activities to be developed; such as place, responsible entities, participants, term, program, resources, as well as the financing procedure.

SEVENTH: The coordination of this Agreement and its annual activities will be supervised by named representatives from each Institution. The representative for **ITCR** will be the Director of Cooperation of the Vice Presidency for Research and Extension; and the representative for **UOS** will be the Director of the International Office.

EIGHTH: Notifications with respect to this Agreement shall be provided as follows: **ITCR** main campus located 600 meters south and 600 meters east of the Courthouse of Cartago, fax (506) 2551-7424,P.O.Box 159-7050 Cartago, Costa Rica., and **UOS**, Neuer Graben/Schloss, 49074 Osnabrueck, Germany, fax (+49) 541 969 4495.

NINETH: This Agreement is done in duplicate in English and Spanish languages, each of which shall be of equal authenticity.

TENTH: This Agreement of International Cooperation will begin on the date of signature by both parties hereto, and has limit of five years. The Parties may terminate this Agreement by giving one-month written notice. The disposal will not affect the projects executed at the time. Active projects, under this Agreement, will continue until their normal conclusion and will not be affected by the expiration of this general Agreement.

ELEVENTH: This Agreement does not create a legal or financial bond among the Parties. This Agreement is a declaration of purposes, which seeks to promote the development of a joint relationship and academic cooperation for the mutual benefit of the Parties. Both legal representatives may continue to establish similar agreements with other institutions, and may generate rules and regulations about the issues discussed.

TWELVETH: This Agreement has no fiscal value.

In witness whereof we hereby sign this Agreement, this 8/12 of 2016.

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Julio César Calvo Alvarado, PhD.
Rector
Instituto Tecnológico de Costa Rica

Place: CARTAGO, 8/12/2016

Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Lücke
President
Osnabrueck University

Place: Osnabrück, 25/08/2016

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