



AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
COSTA RICA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY,
CARTAGO, COSTA RICA AND
TROMSØ UNIVERSITY COLLEGE,
TROMSØ, NORWAY

Between the “Costa Rica Institute of Technology”, indicated hereinafter as, “ITCR” Cartago, Costa Rica, with legal certificate number 4000-04145-07, represented by the Rector, Eugenio Trejos Benavides, Master in Public Administration, identification number 9-041-880, and **Tromsø University College**, Faculty of Engineering and Economics, Tromsø, Norway indicated hereinafter as, “**HiTø – AFI**”, represented by the Dean Hans Petter Kvaal.

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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 economical and social improvement of their nations as well as to bring them together.
3. That due to their mission and objectives, both colleges shall look forward to establishing 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 students exchanges, research projects, as well as the exchange of academic and/or other information of mutual interest.

SECOND: ITCR and HiTØ-AFI 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.

Both Parties will provide faculty and students with the necessary facilities.

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 University's Research and Extension Department; and the representative for HiTØ-AFI will be Dean Hans Petter Kvaal at the faculty of Engineering and Economics.

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

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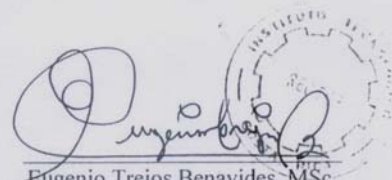
NINETH: This Agreement of Cooperation will begin on the date of signature by both parties hereto, and has no limitations in time, unless one of the Parties agree to terminate the Agreement, through a written notification, and the corresponding reply from the other Party. The disposal will not affect 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.

TENTH: 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.

ELEVENTH: This Agreement has no fiscal value.

In witness where of we here by sign this Agreement, this Tuesday the 16. of August 2005.

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Eugenio Trejos Benavides, MSc.
 Rector
 Costa Rica Institute of Technology



Hans Petter Kvaal
 Dean
 Tromsø University College

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 Høgskolen i Tromsø