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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

**VU University Amsterdam,
The Netherlands**

And

Amity Universities and Institutions, India

In order to promote co-operation between VU University Amsterdam, the Netherlands ("VUA") and Amity Universities and Institutions, India ("Amity"), the two institutions agree as follows:-

The two institutions will encourage direct contact and co-operation between their faculty and administrative staff, departments and research institutions.

Both institutions agree to co-operate in pursuing the following general activities in the fields of 'Connected World', 'Governance for Society', 'Human Health & Life Sciences' and 'Science for Sustainability', agreed to by both institutions to be mutually acceptable:

- Visits by and exchange of graduate and undergraduate students for study and research.
- Visits by and exchange of staff for research, teaching and discussions.
- Exchange of information including, but not limited to, exchange of library materials and research publications.
- Joint research activities including submitting Joint Projects with the participation of scientists / researchers from both sides.
- Joint supervision and co-direction of master and PhD Thesis and Joint Research.
- Training of and visits by faculty.
- Holding Joint workshops, symposium, seminars, conferences and publications in areas of mutual academic, research and innovation interests.
- Encouraging VUA students to participate in the Amity India Immersion Program (AIIP) and vice versa.



- Explore the possibility of articulation of programs for undergraduate and postgraduate students.

This general Memorandum is not intended to create binding or legal obligations for either institution. This Memorandum shall be identified as the parent document of any program agreement executed between the parties. As and when details of any of the above activities are developed and mutually agreed by the institutions, such details will be set forth in agreements supplemental to this Memorandum.

Nothing in this Memorandum shall diminish the full autonomy of either institution, nor should any constraints be imposed by either institution upon the other in carrying out any of the activities contemplated by this Memorandum.

Neither institution is an agent of the other, nor has any right to act or represent the other, or to purport to do so. This Memorandum does not and shall not be deemed to create any partnership relationship between the institutions.

Both institutions understand that all financial arrangements necessary to carry out any of the above activities will have to be negotiated and that the institutions' ability to carry out any of the activities will depend on the availability of funds. This Memorandum places no financial obligations on either institution.

If no agreements supplemental to this Memorandum are entered into by the institutions for a ~~period of five (5)~~ consecutive years from and including the date of the last signature signed below, this Memorandum will be deemed to have lapsed on the day following that five (5) year period. In all other circumstances, the institutions agree to review this Memorandum five (5) years from the date of the last signature signed below.

This Memorandum may be terminated at any time with the mutual consent of both institutions, which termination must be in writing and signed on behalf of both institutions. No amendment of the terms of this MOU will be effective unless made in writing and signed by each institution authorized signatory.

This Memorandum may be terminated by one institution giving the non-terminating institution six (6) months' notice in writing of the intention to terminate, provided that such termination will not affect the completion of any activity underway at the time or any previously advertised activity in which commitments to staff or exchange students have been made.






All communications must be sent to the addresses set forth below or to such other address designated by the institutions by written notice. Notices are effective upon receipt.

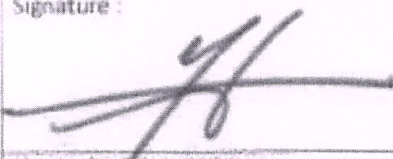
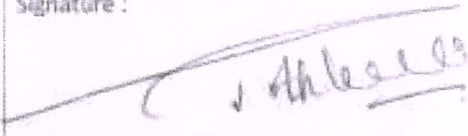
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Each institution represents that the individuals signing this MOU have the authority to sign on its behalf in the capacity indicated.

For VUA Amsterdam:	For Amity, India:
Signature : 	Signature : 
Name : Prof. Jaap Winter President, University Board VU University Amsterdam, The Netherland	Name : Prof. (Dr.) Gurinder Singh Group Addl. Vice Chancellor Amity Universities and Institutions, India
Date: 23 rd March, 2015	Date: 23 rd March, 2015