*MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING*

*between*

*Partner A and Partner B*

*For “Joint Research Title”*

Following the academic agreement between *the name of department (if a department-level agreement available)*, *the name of the Institute*, *the name of Country* and *the name of department (if a department-level agreement available)*, Kumamoto University, Japan, Partner A and Partner B are both signing this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to establish a mutually beneficial cooperative relationship for the following items between two parties.

1. **Exchange of Research Personnel**

Both parties agree to exchange research personnel. The purpose, timing, duration of the exchange and other details shall be decided on a case basis through mutual consultation.

1. **Exchange of Technical Information and Materials**

Both parties agree to exchange technical information and materials such as publication, journals and other relevant references where possible and appropriate.

1. **Promotion of Joint Research**

Both parties agree to promote and conduct joint research activities when it is found mutually beneficial. The subject, content and conditions of each activity will be decided through mutual consultation.

1. **Copyright Information**

Copyright information used by either party should remain the property of the originator, or the party offering the materials.

1. **Confidentiality**

Both parties shall not disclose any confidential information of the other party or of mutual activities to any third party. If a party wishes to disclose information considers to be confidential or proprietary, it shall do so only after consultation of other party.

1. **Duration of MOU**

This MOU shall be effective for a period of x years from the date of signing. It may be renewed by mutual consent, if proposed by either party.

1. **Amendment/Termination**

This MOU may be modified or terminated by mutual consent, if proposed by either party, upon x months prior written notice to other party.

1. **Language**

This MOU is written in English and signed in duplicate by both parties. It may be translated into other languages for reference purposes.

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| Partner A-1 | Partner B-1 |
| Affiliation: | Affiliation: |
| Signature: | Signature: |
| Name: | Name: |
| Title: | Title: |
| Date: | Date: |

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| Partner A-2 (Witness, if necessary) | Partner B-2 (Witness, if necessary) |
| Affiliation: | Affiliation: Kumamoto University |
| Signature: | Signature: |
| Name: | Name: Kazuki TAKASHIMA |
| Title: | Title: Director of IROAST |
| Date: | Date: |