

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This Memorandum of Agreement executed by and among:

The **AGUSAN DEL SUR STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY**, a public Higher Education Institution with principal office at Bunawan, Agusan del Sur hereinafter referred to as **ASSCAT** represented herein by its President, **DR. JUARLITO V. GARCINES**;

The **BOHOL ISLAND STATE UNIVERSITY**, a public Higher Education institution with principal office at Carlos P. Garcia North Ave., Tagbilaran City hereinafter referred to as **BISU** represented herein by its President, **DR. DIOSCORO A. AVERGONZADO**;

The **BUKIDNON STATE UNIVERSITY**, a public Higher Education Institution with principal office at Malaybalay City hereinafter referred to as **BSU** represented herein by its President, **DR. OSCAR B. CABAÑEZ**;

The **CEBU NORMAL UNIVERSITY**, a public Higher Education Institution with principal office at Osmeña Blvd., Cebu City hereinafter referred to as **CNU** represented herein by its OIC President, **DR. DAISY R. PALOMPON**;

The **CEBU TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY**, a public Higher Education Institution with principal office at Cor. M.J. Cuenco Ave. and R. Palma St., Cebu City hereinafter referred to as **CTU** represented herein by its President, **DR. ROSEIN A. ANCHETA JR.**;

The **EASTERN VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY**, a public Higher Education Institution with principal office at Ninoy Aquino Avenue, Tacloban City hereinafter referred to as **EVSU** represented herein by its President, **DR. DOMINADOR O. AGUIRRE JR.**;

The **JOSE RIZAL MEMORIAL STATE UNIVERSITY**, a public Higher Education Institution with principal office at Dapitan City, Zamboanga del Norte hereinafter referred to as **JRMSU** represented herein by its President, **DR. EDGAR S. BALBUENA**;

The **LEYTE NORMAL UNIVERSITY**, a public Higher Education Institution with principal office at Tacloban City hereinafter referred to as **LNU** represented herein by its President, **DR. JUDE A. DUARTE**;

The **NAVAL STATE UNIVERSITY**, a public Higher Education Institution with principal office at P.I. Garcia St., Naval, Biliran hereinafter referred to as **NSU** represented herein by its President, **DR. MATIAS A. BENTOR JR.**;

The **NEGROS ORIENTAL STATE UNIVERSITY**, a public Higher Education Institution with principal office at Kagawasan Avenue, Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental hereinafter referred to as **NORSU** represented herein by its President, **DR. JOEL P. LIMSON**;

The **NORTHWESTERN MINDANAO STATE COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**, a public Higher Education Institution with principal office at Labuyo, Tangub City hereinafter referred to as **NMSCST** represented herein by its President, **DR. JENNIFER W. TAN**;

The **SAMAR STATE UNIVERSITY**, a public Higher Education Institution with principal office at Cathalogan City, Samar hereinafter referred to as **SSU** represented herein by its President, **DR. MARILYN D. CARDOSO**;

The **SOUTHERN LEYTE STATE UNIVERSITY**, a public Higher Education Institution with principal office at San Roque, Sogod, Southern Leyte hereinafter referred to as **SLSU** represented herein by its President, **DR. PROSE IVY G. YEPES**;

The **SURIGAO DELSUR STATE UNIVERSITY**, a public Higher Education Institution with principal office at Tandag City hereinafter referred to as **SDSSU** represented herein by its President, **DR. BACELEDES R. ESTAL**;

The **SURIGAO STATE COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY**, a public Higher Education Institution with principal office at Surigao City hereinafter referred to as **SSCT** represented herein by its President, **DR. GREGORIO Z. GAMBOA JR.**;

and

The **UNIVERSITY OF SAN JOSE RECOLETOS, Inc.**, a private Higher Education Institution with principal office at Magallanes St, Cebu City hereinafter referred to as **USJR** represented herein by its President, **REV. FR. CRISTOPHER C. MASPARA**.

WITNESSETH: That,

WHEREAS, the aforementioned Higher Education Institutions in their quest towards higher accreditation level in journal publication and indexing agreed to associate themselves and thereby forming the **VISAYAS-MINDANAO CONSORTIUM FOR JOURNAL PUBLICATION (VMCJP)**;

WHEREAS, there remains the challenge for **VMCJP** to initiate activities that would propel attainment of higher accreditation level in journal publication and indexing among all of its member-institutions;

WHEREAS, **VMCJP** will undertake four areas of resource sharing namely:

- Journal Publication
- Capability Building
- Utilization of Research Laboratories and Facilities at Discounted Rates
- Ethics Board

WHEREAS, the **ASSCAT, BISU, BSU, CNU, CTU, EVSU, JRMSU, LNU, NSU, NORSU, NMSCST, SSU, SLSU, SDSSU, SSCT, and USJR** are mandated to conduct research and development where publication specifically in refereed journal as one of the major output.

WHEREAS, the ASSCAT, BISU, BSU, CNU, CTU, EVSU, JRMSU, LNU, NSU, NORSU, NMSCST, SSU, SLSU, SDSSU, SSCT, and USJR recognize that there is a need to have continuous capacity building in area of research and scientific publication in refereed journal.

WHEREAS, the ASSCAT, BISU, BSU, CNU, CTU, EVSU, JRMSU, LNU, NSU, NORSU, NMSCST, SSU, SLSU, SDSSU, SSCT, and USJR are publishing scientific papers through their respective journals and have stepped up the challenge to improve the quality to international standards.

WHEREAS, the ASSCAT, BISU, BSU, CNU, CTU, EVSU, JRMSU, LNU, NSU, NORSU, NMSCST, SSU, SLSU, SDSSU, SSCT, and USJR recognize the need to mutually support each other in the area of research and refereed journal publication as well as resource sharing.

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

I. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

The ASSCAT, BISU, BSU, CNU, CTU, EVSU, JRMSU, LNU, NSU, NORSU, NMSCST, SSU, SLSU, SDSSU, SSCT, and USJR shall:

1. Strive to be a functional member of the VMCJP through but not limited to the following:
 - a. Attendance on all of the consortium activities,
 - b. Pay the annual membership fee,
 - c. Abide by the approved Consortium Operations Manual
 - d. Agree on technical and other resource sharing in the furtherance of consortium objectives subject to approval between the concerned HEIs and in accordance to the HEIs governing rules and regulation.
 - e. Participation in other activities identified to be crucial in the development of the HEIs research and publication competencies with the approval of the Board of Directors and the general membership of the Consortium.

II. EFFECTIVITY OF THE AGREEMENT

This Agreement shall take effect upon its execution and shall be in full force and effect unless terminated anytime by mutual consent of the parties, provided that a sixty-day written notice by any of the parties shall have been served to the Consortium.

III. GENERAL PROVISIONS

This Agreement and all the rights and obligations hereunder, shall not be assigned by either of the parties hereto to another party unless otherwise permitted in provisions of this Agreement or with the prior written consent thereto by the other parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have affixed their respective signatures this 25th day of January 2017 at Alta Garden Resort, Cordova, Cebu City, Philippines.

HEI President:

Signed in the presence of:

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College President
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Vice President for Academics

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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Province of _____) S. S.

City/Municipality of _____)

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public, for and in the City of _____, this _____ day of 23 MAY 2017, 2017, personally appeared and known to me to be the same persons who executed the foregoing instrument and who acknowledged to me that the same is their free and voluntary act and deed.

The foregoing instrument related to the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) consisting of seven (7) pages, including the page in which this acknowledgement is written, signed by the parties, including their instrumental witnesses on each and every page thereof and sealed with my notarial seal.

WITNESS MY HAND SEAL, on the date and place above written.

~~LATTY. REYNALDO D. LOBBUS~~
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