

**ACADEMIC COOPERATION AGREEMENT**  
**Between**  
**THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA , CANADA**  
**And**  
**MID-SWEDEN UNIVERSITY, SWEDEN**

**1.0 PREAMBLE**

- 1.1. Recognizing the mutual benefits to be gained through a cooperative program promoting scholarly activities and international understanding, the University of Northern British Columbia (UNBC) and Mid-Sweden University (MSU) enter into this Academic Cooperation Agreement (Agreement) and agree to the following:

**2.0 OBJECTIVES**

- 2.1 The objectives of this Agreement shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
- a) the development of collaborative research projects;
  - b) the organization of joint academic and scientific activities, such as courses, conferences, seminars, symposia or lectures;
  - c) the exchange of staff;
  - d) the exchange of undergraduate and graduate students;
  - e) and the exchange of publications and other materials of common interest.
- 2.3 Cooperative projects under this Agreement may include any of the academic disciplines of UNBC and MSU.
- 2.3 Both parties have a particular interest in collaborating on the implementation of an OISD Initiative to establish a joint Institute with a global scope; the "International Institute for Sustainable Regional Economies IISRE" (interim name) that will have facilities in both Canada and Sweden. Both parties recognize OISD as originator of the IISRE initiative and from which this agreement originates.

**3.0 IMPLEMENTATION**

- 3.1 In order to carry out and fulfil the aims of this Agreement, UNBC and MSU shall each appoint a Campus Co-ordinator who shall manage the development and conduct of joint activities. The Campus Co-ordinators shall be responsible for the evaluation of activities under this Agreement according to the practices of their respective institutions.

- 3.2 Specific details of any activity shall be set forth in a Supplemental Letter of Agreement (SLOA) which, upon signing by the President and Vice President Academic at each institution, shall become an integral part of the general Agreement. The SLOA shall include such items as: the responsibilities of each Party for the agreed upon activity, schedules for the specific activity, budgets and sources of financing and any other items necessary for the efficient achievement of the activity.

#### **4.0 DURATION AND TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT**

- 4.1 This agreement is a non ratified agreement, the agreements will first become valid and in operation when the agreement is ratified and signed by both the President and Vice President Academic and Provost of University of Northern British Columbia (UNBC) and the Rector and Vice Chancellor of Mid Sweden University.
- 4.2 This Agreement shall become effective on the date that it is signed by both Parties as stated in 4.1 and shall be valid for a period of five years, but may be renewed, amended or by addendum changed or extended by mutual consent. Any changes to this Agreement shall be subject to the written consent of both Parties.
- 4.3 This Agreement may be terminated by either Party at any time provided that the terminating Party gives written notice of its intention at least six months prior to termination.

As witness to their subscription to the above Articles, the representatives of UNBC and MSU have hereunto provided their endorsement.

**For and on behalf of  
The University of Northern British Columbia**

**For and on behalf of  
Mid-Sweden University**

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Dr. Charles Jago  
President

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Dr. Howard Brunt  
Vice President Academic and Provost

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