

BETWEEN

INSTITUTE OF MATERIALS, TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF KOSICE, SLOVAKIA

Represented by Prof. Ing. Stanislav Kmet', CSc., Rector

AND

UNIVERSITY OF MAURITIUS

Represented by Vice-Chancellor

on

Corrosion research, knowledge exchange and staff development (Area of cooperation)

This **Memorandum of Understanding** (hereafter referred to as 'MoU') is intended to promote international cooperation between the Institute of Materials at the Faculty of Metallurgy, Technical University of Košice, and the University of Mauritius.

The Technical University of Košice, represented by Prof. Ing. Stanislav Kmeť, CSc. (Rector) and the University of Mauritius, represented by its Vice-Chancellor, recognising the benefits to their respective universities from the establishment of institutional links, hereby agree to enter into this MoU.

1. PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT

The purpose of this MoU is to develop academic and educational cooperation, establish a collaborative exchange program in networking, especially in the field of corrosion between the two universities and to cooperate in their mutual interest for knowledge exchange and staff development.





2. AREAS OF COOPERATION

Subject to the availability of funds, resources and approval of the authorized representatives or heads of the Institute of Materials /Faculty of Metallurgy at the Technical University of Košice and the Faculty of Engineering at University of Mauritius, both institutions agree to develop the following collaborative activities:

- (a) Conducting joint research and development project;
- (b) Cooperation in individual projects;
- Organisation of lectures, symposia, international meetings, conferences and workshops;
- (d) Exchange of researchers and students;
- (e) Exchange of information, teaching materials, technological and scientific publications;
- (f) Providing opportunities for professors and researchers to give lectures; and
- (g) Search for opportunities to collaborate in the future.

3. IMPLEMENTATION

3.1. All programs or activities implemented under the terms of this MoU shall be mutually agreed upon in writing, including the necessary budget for the program of activities as the need may arise. Supplemental Agreements will be entered into to establish details for the operation and implementation of specific exchanges/activities outlined under Paragraph II and will become annexures to this MoU and shall bind the Parties.

3.2. Funding

- 3.2.1. Each of the participating institutions shall be fully responsible financially for the activities carried out under its direction or by its staff, except as otherwise agreed by the Parties.
- 3.2.2. Each Party shall bear its own costs and expenses for the activities arising from this MoU unless otherwise mutually arranged and agreed upon. Neither Party shall enter into contract on behalf of the other Party nor commit the other to any expenses without the other Party's express written authority.





3.3. The Parties will designate one researcher each who will develop and coordinate specific programs or activities between them. It is understood that no remuneration will be paid to the designated researcher.

3.4. Policy and Procedures

Students/visitors of either institution involved in any activity under this Memorandum of Understanding shall abide to the applicable rules, regulations and procedures of the host institution.

4. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Both partner institutions will ensure that any results and publications originating from this collaboration will become the joint intellectual property of both Parties.

5. DURATION AND RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT

This MoU will become effective immediately after the signature of both the representatives of the Technical University of Košice and University of Mauritius for a period of 5 years and is subject to revision of modification by mutual agreement.

6. AMENDMENTS

- 6.1. This MoU may be amended by a written Agreement signed by the representatives of both universities.
- 6.2. In the event of any unforeseen incident during collaborative activities in either country, both universities agree to negotiate a mutually acceptable solution.
- 6.3. Should any disagreement arise out of the application, interpretation or implementation of this Agreement, the universities shall endeavor to exercise best efforts to negotiate their differences and shall submit any dispute to the competent jurisdiction, of any of their respective countries, where the activities pursuant to the MoU are carried out.





7. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

This MoU may, at any time during its period of validity, be terminated by either party upon prior notice to the other in writing not later than one month before termination date, provided that such termination shall not affect the completion of any program or activity underway at the time the notice of termination is given.

8. APPROVAL

In agreement with the above terms of participation, the authorised representatives of the **Technical University of Košice** and the **University of Mauritius**, hereby affix signatures, drawn up in two originals

TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF KOSICE

UNIVERSITY OF MAURITIUS

Professor Ing. Stanislav Kmet', CSc., Rector of Technical University of Košice

Date: 24 July 2017



Professor Dhanjay Jhurry, CSK Vice-Chancellor

Date: 08 June 20F



Annex

WORK PLAN

Specific activities to be developed:

- Conducting joint research and development project.
- Organisation of lectures, symposia, international meetings, conferences and workshops.
- Exchange of researchers and students, information, teaching materials, technological and scientific publications.
- Providing opportunities for academics and researchers to give lectures.
- Search for opportunities to collaborate in the future.

The MoU would be used for the participation in the Erasmus+ programme with TUKE. Submission of the documents is expected to be done early next year (February 2017) and the activities will start as from the approval of the funding institution. The activities related to the Erasmus+ programme are expected to end in 2020.

2. LINK COORDINATORS

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