



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN

**NATIONAL COLLEGE OF IRELAND (NCI), Ireland
AND**

NATIONAL YUNLIN UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (YunTech), Taiwan

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding between NATIONAL COLLEGE OF IRELAND (herein NCI) (Ireland) and NATIONAL YUNLIN UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (herein YunTech) (Taiwan) is to promote academic collaboration and to develop further the friendly relationship between these two academic institutions.

1. In order to promote this co-operation NCI and YunTech agree to explore the possibility of developing collaborative activities which are mutually beneficial as follows:

2.1 Promoting working partnerships between staff and students in NCI and YunTech.

This could include:

- Research collaboration in areas of mutual interest;
- Exchange of academic material and information.
- Faculty exchange and exchange of scholars in the course of academic development.
- Joint development and sharing of resources for staff development and training.
- Joint development and sharing of resources for the international education of students.
- Short term extra curricula student visits (the detail of which would be negotiated and specified in a separate addendum to this agreement).
- Identification and development of key areas of common interest as stand-alone projects.
- Sponsorship of cooperative seminars, workshops and papers on matters of mutual interest.

2.2 Facilitating Entry to NCI degree programmes.

This could include:

2.2.1 Facilitating Entry to NCI undergraduate degree programmes:

NCI agrees to welcome appropriately qualified students from YunTech who meet NCI's admission criteria onto the relevant degree schemes and to enter into discussions regarding the development of advanced standing entry to certain degree programmes at NCI subject to satisfactory review of the relevant degree curricula at YunTech. Such arrangements would need to be agreed in writing and approved by the appropriate committee.

2.2.2 Facilitation to Postgraduate Courses at NCI

- NCI will welcome postgraduate applications from appropriately qualified YunTech students.
 - The entry qualifications for students entering through these routes will be determined in accordance with NCI's normal admissions criteria and students should apply through the usual international application procedures as established by the Admissions Office at NCI. They will be subject to the same conditions and criteria as other applicants, including providing proof of attainment of their academic qualifications/ prior level of study and English Language test. Whilst at NCI they will be subject to the same regulations as other NCI students.
 - The performance of students at NCI, as well as the number of students recruited will be reviewed annually by the Learning and Teaching and Recruitment Committees of the relevant Schools at NCI.
 - NCI shall reserve the right to terminate any of these facilitation arrangements on the basis of evidence that prior study at YunTech is not equivalent to the appropriate level of study at NCI.
3. Each Party shall be responsible for meeting the travel, subsistence and accommodation costs of its own staff involved in visits associated with this agreement.
 4. Neither party shall use or permit to be used, the name, insignia, logo or other distinctive identifying feature of the other party, except where such use is authorised by the other party. Failure to comply with this clause will be deemed to be a fundamental breach of this agreement and either party shall be entitled to terminate this agreement immediately by written notice.
 5. This Agreement shall remain in force for three (3) years in the first instance, with the understanding that it may be terminated with effect from the end of any Academic Year by either party giving a ninety (90) days' notice to the other parties in writing, provided however that such termination shall not affect the completion of any programme or activity underway at the time that the notice of termination is given. This Agreement may be extended by mutual consent of the two parties, provided that is recorded in writing and is signed by an Authorised Person on behalf of both parties.
 6. Any issues not mentioned in this agreement shall be resolved through mutual agreement, and each party covenants that it will make good faith efforts to reach such agreement.
 7. This agreement shall supersede all previous agreements, arrangements and undertaking between the parties hereto.
 8. The Agreement shall come into force when signed by the vice-president of NCI and the vice-president of YunTech.

SIGNED:



Prof. Jimmy Hill
Vice President
National College of Ireland

Date : 20/04/2020



Prof. Chwen-Tzeng Su
Vice President
National Yunlin University of
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Date : 05/05/2020