# Memorandum of Understanding between

# NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, HAKODATE COLLEGE, JAPAN and UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LEUVEN-LIMBURG, BELGIUM.

The National Institute of Technology, Hakodate College, Japan, (hereinafter named Hakodate KOSEN), and the University College Leuven-Limburg, Belgium (hereinafter named UCLL), in accordance with our desire to promote international cooperation between Japan and Belgium, have reached an understanding to join in the following Memorandum of Understanding on Academic Exchanges.

# 1. Intention and Objectives of MOU

Hakodate KOSEN and UCLL agree to cooperate with each other in the following fields of education and research.

- A) To contribute to the enhancement of education, research and the promotion of international cooperation and understanding through exchange activities.
- B) To provide information, support and coordination for staff and students' exchanges, teaching and learning styles, and all other aspects of cultural exchanges.
- C) To develop a systematic program for exchange activities.
- D) To organize joint seminars and / or conferences.
- E) To offer further education opportunities to both students of UCLL and Hakodate KOSEN.
- F) To provide internship opportunities for students in their respective fields of study.

#### 2. Terms and Conditions

- A) UCLL and Hakodate KOSEN acknowledge that the provisions in this MOU represent their mutual intentions and commitment toward promoting institutional exchanges in accordance with the terms and conditions of this MOU. However, this MOU is intended to create neither legally binding obligations nor contractual relationships between the partners. In the event that a separate legal agreement needs to be executed in relation to this MOU, both partners agree to negotiate in good faith on the terms and conditions of a legal agreement to be executed at any other appropriate time.
- B) Notwithstanding the need for separate agreements, it is understood that UCLL and Hakodate KOSEN mentioned above would make best efforts to contribute to the success of these same activities.

## 3. Financial Arrangements

A) Financial stipulations and arrangements for exchange students such as admission fees and tuition fees should be mutually exempted. The host institution shall provide basic facilities for supporting the exchange students in their studies such as Internet access, library services and an appropriate working area.

B) Housing fees and other living expenses are the responsibility of each exchange student, each institution will make its best effort to try and provide a detailed list of expenses each student should expect to pay.

## 4. Duration and Termination

- A) This MOU will become effective upon the signing by representatives of UCLL and Hakodate KOSEN. The MOU shall be in force for a period of five (5) years from the date of this MOU, and may be renewed by an exchange of letters upon mutual agreement after renegotiation procedures have been completed.
- B) The MOU may be terminated at any time by either party by serving notice at least six (6) months to the other parties in writing, or upon normal completion of the programs that had been initiated before the service of notice.
- C) Amendments to this MOU will only be made with the Written agreement of all parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have caused this MOU to be executed by their respective authorized representatives the date first mentioned below.

Signed by
For and on behalf of
National Institute of Technology
Hakodate College
Japan

President Shigeru TADANO

Director

National Institute of Technology

Hakodate College

Date:

2/st October 2017

Signed by

For and on behalf of

University College Leuven-Limburg

Belgium

Marc Vandewalle

Managing Director

University College Leuven-Limburg

Date

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