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## **LETTER OF AGREEMENT**

**Between**

**COLUMBUS STATE UNIVERSITY**

**AND**

**UNIVERSITY OF BENGKULU**

### **AN EXPLORATION OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INDONESIAN (BENGKULU) INDIGENOUS TRADITIONAL HEALER KNOWLEDGE AND BIOLOGY EDUCATION STUDENT KNOWLEDGE AND THEIR SENSE OF CONSERVATION**

This agreement is made and entered into by and between the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by and on behalf of Columbus State University, United States and University of Bengkulu, Indonesia, hereinafter referred to as "The Parties".

In order to advance friendly relations between the USA and Indonesia, both institutions will make every reasonable effort to encourage direct contact and research cooperation between their faculty members, departments, and research institutes, to the extent that they are able under provisions of this agreement, and endeavor to cooperate in the fields with which both parties are concerned.

The Parties agreed to obey the prevailing laws and regulations in their respective countries as well as their respective government procedures and policies in international cooperation.

The parties have agreed as follows:

#### **Article 1 Objective**

The objective of the research cooperation under this Letter of Agreement (hereinafter referred to as LoA) is to promote mutual research cooperation and develop research capabilities of the two Parties in the field of conservation and intangible knowledge on traditional healer, and the area of informal science education. Dr. Patricia Patrick, an Assistant Professor at the College of Education and Health Professions, Columbus State University, will be the researcher representing Columbus State University. Dr Aceng Ruyani, a lecturer at the Department of Math and Natural Science Education, will be the researcher representing University of Bengkulu.

## **Article 2**

### **Scope of Activity**

Joint research activity on of the “Relationship Between Indonesian (Bengkulu) Indigenous Traditional Healer Knowledge and Biology Education Student Knowledge and Their Sense of Conservation” will include the following:

- 1) Joint research of the knowledge of traditional healers, professors, biology students and apprentices on biodiversity and conservation in Bengkulu Province.
- 2) Fieldworks and interviews for gathering data regarding the practices of traditional healing methods.
- 3) Joint publications as one of the outcomes of the research.
- 4) Developing online informal science education course.
- 5) Developing community outreach programs and conservation education programs and addressing the public’s beliefs about the importance of biodiversity and conservation.
- 6) Other activities mutually agreed upon by parties.

## **Article 3**

### **Contribution of Columbus State University**

Columbus State University shall, subject to the availability of funds:

- 1) Provide facilities for the execution of joint research activities to the extent available.
- 2) Assign qualified researcher(s) to assist in the implementation of activities under this LoA, limited at this time to Dr. Patrick.
- 3) Assist in arranging necessary permits for the researcher(s) to conduct the research project and if needed arranging necessary permits for approved University of Bengkulu staff to the extent needed for any agreed activity upon research project.
- 4) Provide supports for the implementation of the research project.
- 5) Provide supports for other activities agreed upon by both parties.
- 6) Provide supports for looking for funding available for collaboration.

## **Article 4**

### **Contribution of University of Bengkulu**

In accordance with prevailing laws and regulation in Indonesia and subject to the availability of funds, University of Bengkulu shall:

- 1) Provide the available basic facilities for the implementation of the joint research activities.
- 2) Assign qualified researcher(s) and students to assist in the implementation of activities under this LoA, including contacts and access to traditional healers.
- 3) Assist in arranging the necessary permits for approved Columbus State University for the purpose of entering and leaving Indonesia whenever necessary.
- 4) Assist in arranging the necessary permits for the material transfer of research within Indonesia and from Indonesia to the United States.
- 5) Provide support for other activities agreed upon by both parties.

**Article 5**  
**Intellectual Property Rights, Results, and Publications**

- 1) Any Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) brought by either Party for the implementation of activities under the LoA shall remain the property of that Party. Further that Party shall be liable for any claims made by any third Party on the ownership and legality of the use of IPR which is brought in by the aforementioned Party for the implementation of joint research activities under this LoA.
- 2) Any IPR resulting from joint research activities conducted under this LoA will be jointly owned by both Parties and both Parties shall be allowed to use such property for non-commercial purposes free of royalty. Should the intellectual property rights, data, or information resulting from research activities under this LoA be used for commercial purpose by one party, the other Party shall be entitled to royalties obtained from the use of such property on the basis of the principle of equitable contribution. Rights in the recordings and videos that are the products of the research will be held jointly by the researchers and University of Bengkulu and may be transferred to a publisher for the purposes of publication.
- 3) The parties are entitled to use the results of their cooperation for further educational and scientific purposes, including the right to publish the result. The proposed party shall inform the other party regarding publication and discuss the potential to draft the publication jointly, allowing for co-authorship. Publication in Indonesia will be the responsibility of University of Bengkulu or a body designated by University of Bengkulu, but the selection of material and content of annotations will be decided in agreement with the researcher for as long as she remains alive. The researcher has the right to publish selections from the research result, or the results as a whole, outside Indonesia, in any medium. The selection of material and content of annotations will be decided in agreement with the researcher for as long as she remains alive and in consultation with University of Bengkulu.
- 4) Termination of this LoA shall not affect the rights and/or obligation under this Article during 5 (five) years after such termination.

**Article 6**  
**Dispute and Settlement**

Any dispute arising out of the interpretation or implementation of this LoA shall be settled amicably by consultation and negotiation between the Parties.

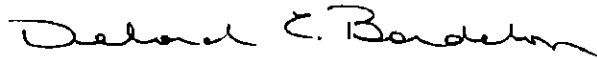
**Article 7**  
**Amendments, Duration, and Termination**

- 1) Any amendment to this LoA can only be made in writing by mutual consent of the Parties
- 2) The LoA shall be effective on the date of this signing and be valid for a period of 5 (five) years and can be extended or renewed in writing by mutual consent of the parties unless one of the Parties notifies in writing of its intention to terminate this LoA at least 6 (six) months in advance.
- 3) The termination of this LoA shall not prejudice the complementation of any ongoing programs that have been agreed upon by the Parties.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the undersigned, the Authorized Representatives have signed the LoA.

COLUMBUS STATE UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY OF BENGKULU



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Vice Rector for Academic Affairs

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