

COOPERATION PROTOCOL

Universidade de Aveiro (University of Aveiro), Public Foundation with a private law system, with head office at *Campus* Universitário de Santiago, 3810-193 Aveiro, Portugal, collective entity no. 501 461 108, hereby represented by **Prof. Paulo Jorge Ferreira** as Rectorⁱ, also designated as **UA**,

AND

Walailak University, headquartered at 222 Thaiburi, Thasala District Nakhonsrithammarat, Thailand, legal entity no. WU Act. B.E. 2535 hereby represented by **Prof. Dr. Sombat Thamrongthanyawong**, as Acting President of Walailak University, hereinafter also referred to as **WU**.

Taking into consideration,

- That the University of Aveiro and Walailak Universityⁱⁱ recognize the importance of institutional international collaboration for its mission, and for the enhancement of its teachers, researchers and students;
- The Parties recognize that there is a mutual interest in establishing this collaboration;
- That the participation of teachers and researchers in cooperation activities, as it is part of the mission of the University of Aveiro, is compatible with the regime of exclusive dedication;
- That, in this context, collaborative activities should be formalized contractually,

The present protocol takes effect, freely and in good faith, and is governed by the following clauses:

First Clause

Scope

The purpose of this Protocol is to establish academic, scientific and cultural cooperation between the Parties in areas of common interest

Second Clause

Types of Actions

1. For the purposes of implementing the provisions of the previous Clause, the Parties agree to develop joint actions, namely:



- a) The pedagogical and scientific exchange of teachers, researchers, and the mobility of students in undergraduate and graduate training programs;
 - b) The organization of academic, cultural and scientific dynamization initiatives, namely through the joint organization of seminars, conferences and/or other meetings;
 - c) The joint development of research activities and research projects;
 - d) Other activities within the mission of the Parties and considered to be of mutual interest, under terms to be defined and agreed upon between them.
2. The international mobility of students foreseen in this Protocol can take one of two forms:
- a) Student exchange - this type foresees the exchange, under a reciprocal system and with balanced flows;
 - b) Visiting students - this type foresees the inclusion of students in the scope of specific programs, in the area of teaching and/or research.

Third Clause **Protocol Execution**

1. The collaborative activities that are the object of this Protocol are defined by the Parties through specific agreements.
2. The rights and obligations of the Parties, particularly with regard to the number of students and their status, the work programs of the specific projects covered by this Protocol, as well as their content, charges, duration, confidentiality and ownership of the research results, shall be laid down in each agreement implementing this Protocol.

Fourth Clause **Coordination**

1. The actions developed on the basis of this Protocol shall be coordinated by representatives of each Party, to be indicated, for this purpose, in the agreements referred to in the preceding Clause.
2. In order to monitor, plan and regularly evaluate the implementation of the Protocol, as well as to take any decisions conducive to its proper implementation, the Parties shall hold regular meetings between their representatives.

Fifth Clause

Duration

1. This Protocol comes into effect on the date of its signature and lasts for two years, being automatically renewed for successive and equal periods, as long as none of the parties denounces it with at least 60 days' notice.
2. The Protocol may be amended in whole or in part, or terminated, always by written agreement between the Parties, and without prejudice to the completion of any activities then under way

Sixth Clause

Omitted Cases

In all matters not provided for in this Protocol, whatever is agreed upon by the Parties shall apply, without prejudice to the applicable regulations and statutes and other relevant legislation.

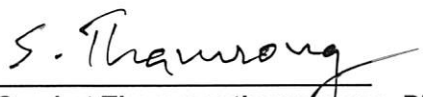
(Signed and initialed in duplicate, one copy to be forwarded to the representatives of each Party/This Agreement consists of a single copy, signed by the Parties by means of digital signature in the applicable legal terms).ⁱⁱ

Place, date ___/___/____ⁱⁱⁱ

For the University of Aveiro

For Walailak University

Prof. Paulo Jorge Ferreira
Rector


Prof. Sombat Thamrongthanyawong, Ph.D.
Acting President

ⁱ To be filled out under the terms of the Order appointing the vice-rectors and pro-rectors and delegating responsibilities, Dispatch 7228/2022, of June 6, published in Diário da República, No 109, Series II, of June 6th, for the first and second study cycles or for the third study cycle, which responsibility lies respectively with the Vice-Rector, Prof. Sandra Cristina de Oliveira Soares, or with the Vice-Rector, Prof. Artur Manuel Soares da Silva.

ⁱⁱ Fill in, as applicable

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