

**Universities
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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

**Universities Scotland (US)
EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND**

And the

**Korean Council for University Education (KCUE)
SEOUL, REPUBLIC OF KOREA**

Concerning

A collaboration to promote the internationalisation of Higher Education

March, 2013

Parties of Memorandum

Universities Scotland, hereon referred to as US, representing 14 Scottish universities and 5 specialist Higher Education Institutions, represented here by the Convener and the Korean Council for University Education, hereon referred to as KCUE, representing 201 Korean Universities / institutions of higher education, represented here by its President.

Article 1

Scope and Objectives

Agree to join in collaboration to promote internationalisation of higher education and exchange of information based on long standing institution-to-institution cooperation between the scientific and academic communities of Scotland and Korea. More specifically, US and the Korean HE sector have agreed to work together to recognise existing partnerships and to facilitate, promote and support further cooperation between Korean and Scottish universities, whilst acknowledging the fact that these relationships will be established directly by the educational institutions exercising their autonomy.

Article 2

Cooperative Activities

US and the Korean HE sector have agreed to the following:

Primary areas

1. To consider opportunities for research collaboration by identifying research links between institutions on an individual basis or through collaborative structures like Scotland's research pools in areas such as Energy, Engineering, Life Sciences, Science, Economics, Social Science, and Education.
2. To identify subject areas where joint and dual degree programmes could potentially be developed between partner institutions, in particular at Masters level for two-year programmes.
3. To promote enhanced institutional agreements between Scottish and Korean universities in the areas of undergraduate and graduate student and faculty exchange, internships and student placements, research collaboration and joint capacity-building projects.

Supplementary areas

1. To develop an action plan of engagement over the next 6 months to maximise potential outcomes and achievements of this agreement for the benefit of both organisations and their respective higher education sectors.
2. To share knowledge about the higher education and research issues affecting their respective communities.
3. To spread throughout the institutions of higher education in Korea and Scotland, information about characteristics of their respective higher education and research systems as well as their industry links.
4. To disseminate to their members, information about academic cooperation, research collaboration, partnership opportunities and undergraduate and graduate student and faculty exchange programmes, internships as well as specific requests of collaboration from Korean or Scottish institutions.
5. To seek support from Scottish Development International (SDI), Scotland's economic development agencies and Scottish Government for the development of collaborative activities in the context of wider bilateral discussions between the two countries.
6. To connect developments under this MoU with the British Council (Korea and Scotland) and to the Department of Science and Innovation at the British Embassy in Seoul (linked to UK Department for Business Innovation and Skills (BIS)).
7. To collaborate on policy dialogue and advocacy in areas of mutual interest affecting their respective communities.
8. To serve as a central point of contact for each other and maintain regular dialogue, in part through participation, when possible, at annual membership and/or related meetings.
9. To exchange publications and materials that facilitates institutional cooperation.
10. To notify each other of any events or opportunities of cooperation of mutual interest in their respective countries.

Article 3

Availability of Resources

Cooperative activities under this Memorandum are subject to the availability of personnel, resources and funds. This Memorandum should not be construed to obligate any particular expenditure or commitment of resources or personnel by either signatories' organisation or the members they represent.

Article 4

Planning and Review of Activities

Each association will designate a liaison officer to develop the cooperation in the above mentioned areas. All collaboration should be discussed within the framework of existing funding and within the mandate of each association.

Related Expenses

Neither party shall have any financial obligations under this agreement, and each organisation is responsible for its respective costs in all activities specified above unless otherwise agreed on a case by case basis. Each side will, however, seek to arrange or assist with local accommodation for mutual visits related to cooperation activities specified in this memorandum.

Article 5

Duration

This Memorandum will take effect from the date of signature by both parts and will remain in force for a period of five (5) years subject to the availability of funds. Any amendment and/or modification to this agreement will require a written approval of both signing parts, and shall be appended hereto.

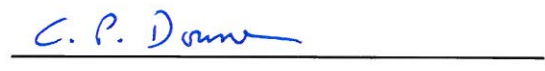
Either party reserves the right to terminate this agreement upon six (6) months written notice to the other. Any individual activities to be continued thereafter will be specifically identified and provided for at the time of termination. After the initial five (5) year period, this agreement may be renewed by mutual consent.

Signed in Edinburgh, Scotland
On 6th March, 2013

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President of KCUE



Convener, US