

Swiss Federal Institute on Forest, Snow and Landscape Research



Isfahan University of Technology

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON

ACADEMIC AND SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGE IN ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

between

The Swiss Federal Institute on Forest, Snow and Landscape Research (WSL)

and

The Isfahan University of Technology (IUT)

The Swiss Federal Institute on Forest, Snow and Landscape Research and the Isfahan University of Technology (hereinafter referred to as "the Participants") wishing to cooperation the research topics of environmental science hereby express their mutual understanding on academic and scientific exchange as follows:

I. Objectives

The Participants prompt academic and scientific exchange through the following activities:

- 1. Exchange of faculty, students and research scientists in environmental science
- 2. Exchange of publications and information in fields of mutual interest in environmental science
- 3. Organization of activities in environmental science, e.g. joint seminars and courses of mutual interest
- 4. Promotion of the transfer of relevant scientific results and expertise into practice for the benefit of the local environment and the people

II. Implementation

- 1. The participants identify opportunities and needs of scientific and academic exchange in environmental science and may propose accordingly exchange activities which can be accepted or rejected by either institution.
- 2. Details of mutually accepted proposals will be regulated in separate agreements if necessary. A separate agreement is necessary if an activity requests funding beyond travel expenses and salaries of already hired staff.

3. Each Institution may nominate a collaborator as coordinator responsible for the implementation of this MOU.

III. Financing and support

- 1. It is expected that the principal costs of each activity agreed upon will be covered by the requesting institution or through external research proposals. WSL and IUT collaborate in seeking external funding if desirable.
- 2. WSL and IUT will assist each other in coordinating travel, housing and other logistical assistance as may be necessary or desirable.
- 3. Unless specifically agreed otherwise in advance, all costs related to exchange of faculty, students and research scientists are supported by the home institution.

IV. Terms

- 1. The terms of this MOU may be modified by both institutions in mutual agreement in writing.
- 2. This MOU will remain in effect for an initial duration period of five (5) years starting on November 2014. If neither of the participants expresses its will to terminate it earlier, it may be prolonged by mutual agreement of the participants. A termination of this MOU should not affect any ongoing projects agreed upon in separate agreements.

For WSL

Date: 0.10.20

Prof. Dr. Konrad Steffen Director

For IUT Date: 27. 10. 201 Prodo

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