



## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

### BETWEEN

LEEDS BECKETT UNIVERSITY, UNITED KINGDOM (the UNIVERSITY)

AND

SYMBIOSIS INTERNATIONAL (DEEMED UNIVERSITY) (SIU), India

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as the "MOU") is made and executed on this <u>14</u> day of <u>February</u> 2017 at <u>SIU</u>

between

LEEDS BECKETT UNIVERSITY, UNITED KINGDOM having its address at: Leeds LS1 3HE, UK

(hereafter referred to as-----)
OF THE FIRST PART

AND

SYMBIOSIS INTERNATIONAL (DEEMED UNIVERSITY)

a University established under Section 3 of the UGC Act 1956 and having address at: Symbiosis Knowledge Village, Gram: Lavale, Taluka: Mulshi, District: Pune 411042 (India), for and on behalf of its constituent the Symbiosis Centre for International Education (SCIE), having its campus at: Senapati Bapat Road, Pune 411 004 Through its Registrar

(hereinafter referred to as "SCIE")
... OF THE SECOND PART

(The parties agree that for all practical, implementation and execution purposes, this engagement is for Symbiosis Centre for International Education and hence University hereinafter shall be construed as SCIE)

Symbiosis Centre for International Education (SCIE) is a constituent of Symbiosis International (Deemed University) and is engaged in providing leadership and support to internationalize the campus and the curricula. International students from over 85 countries pursue their undergraduate and postgraduate studies at Symbiosis and SCIE aims to provide the Students and faculty with opportunities to pursue their international academic interests to the fullest, be it through academic exchanges, or exposure to international conferences, seminars, workshops, and other resources;



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### 1 Purpose of Memorandum

The purpose of this Memorandum is to underpin the development of what is hoped will become a long-term partnership between the University and SIU.

It therefore sets out matters of agreed principle and policy, reflecting the spirit of co-operation between the University and SIU, but it is not intended to be legally binding, with the exception of clause 6. The University and SIU may but are not obliged to enter into separate formal legally binding agreements in relation to their various joint activities, which will fully document the rights and obligations on each side.

## 2 Aims of the joint activity

The University and SIU agree in good faith to work together to promote or develop the following:

- extending and increasing access, geographically and socially, to higher education;
- 2.2 improving the services the University and SIU offer to local communities, business and industry;
- 2.3 joint initiatives in research;
- 2.4 building a network of education opportunities accessible to all;
- 2.5 enhancing staff development opportunities by fully exploiting the strengths of both parties, to the benefit of all concerned;
- 2.6 Two agreed places for student exchange

# 3 Agreements between the University and SIU

As noted in clause 1, any such future joint activities of the University and SIU will be, where appropriate, covered by appropriate legally binding agreements.

## 4 Principles of joint developments

The University and the SIU agree to:

- 4.1 ensure that strategic planning for all activities takes place within the annual higher education planning cycle, and at an appropriately senior level within each institution, so enabling the parties to maximise the use of public funds and avoid unnecessary duplication of effort;
- 4.2 ensure that all activity is conducted in an orderly manner, reflects the strengths of the parties, and where possible is complementary, drawing on their respective missions and corporate plans;



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4.3 take part in activities that are cost-effective and efficient in development and implementation, assure the standards and quality of the awards, and provide complete, accurate and reliable information to students and stakeholders.

### 5 Senior contacts

The University and SIU will each nominate a senior contact who will be responsible in practice for ensuring effective liaison between them; preserving the underpinning principles outlined here; and maintaining an overall perspective on developments initiated through this Memorandum.

### 6 General

- 6.1 SIU shall be entitled to use the University name and logo only as specifically agreed in advance in writing with the University.
- 6.2 This Memorandum shall expire on the date that is five (5) years after the date of execution, but may be terminated earlier than that date at any time by either party upon the giving of one (1) week's written notice to the other.
- 6.3 Nothing in this Memorandum is intended to or shall be deemed to establish an exclusive relationship between the parties or to restrict any activities that either party would otherwise be able to undertake. Nothing in this Memorandum is intended to or shall be deemed to establish any partnership or joint venture between the parties or constitute any party as an agent of the other party.
- 6.4 The terms of this Memorandum may be amended at any time by agreement in writing between the parties.
- 6.5 The parties irrevocably agree that this Memorandum and any disputes arising under or in any way connected with the subject matter or formation of this Memorandum shall be governed by and construed in accordance with English law. Each party submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales in relation to any disputes or other matters arising out of or in connection with this Memorandum.



#### 7 Signatures

PARTY OF THE FIRST PART For & On Behalf of Leeds Beckett University, UK

Professor Jeanne Keay Pro Vice-Chancellor (Global Engagement)

PARTY OF THE SECOND PART

On Behalf of Symbiosis International (Deemed University)

Dr Vidya Yeravdekar **Executive Director** 

Symbiosis Centre for International Education

Date 14/02/2018

For Symbiosis International (Deemed University)

Dr. M. S. Shejul Registrar

14/02/2018

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