

## **Collaborative Agreement**

Between

**Southwest University**

and

**Buriram Rajabhat University**

An agreement is signed on this day 14<sup>th</sup> of June, 2007 between Southwest University (hereinafter referred to as "SWU"), a key comprehensive university, located in Chongqing, 400715, China on the one part, and Buriram Rajabhat University (hereinafter referred to as "BRU"), an institution of higher learning, located in Thailand on the other.

In order to promote collaboration between BRU and SWU, the two institutions agree to enter into an area of cooperation where they can assist each other in the following seven main areas:

### **1) Joint Research Programmes**

When appropriate to do so.

### **2) Faculty and Student Exchange**

Upon agreement, a predetermined number of faculty members and students shall participate in exchange schemes based on the transfer of knowledge between the two institutions. Details regarding length of stay, area of study, insurance, accommodation etc will be agreed upon after further consultation between the two institutions.

### **3) Language Activities**

In cooperation with the Office of International Relations at BRU, the Office of International Cooperation and Exchanges of SWU will try to introduce and arrange activities relating to Chinese language, literature, culture and writing for the benefit of interested students and scholars of BRU.

In cooperation with the Office of International Cooperation and Exchanges at SWU, the Office of International Relations of BRU will try to introduce and arrange activities relating to English language, literature, culture and writing for the benefit of interested students and scholars of SWU.

#### **4) Transfer of Knowledge**

SWU and BRU agree to actively encourage the exchange of expertise, academics, writers, publications and information with regards to agreed areas of study whenever it is feasible to do so.

#### **5) Research Assistance**

BRU and SWU shall assist one another in the research and publication of original, adapted or translated work that are both relevant and suitable for local and international markets.

#### **6) Cultural Programmes**

SWU and BRU shall assist one another in the organizing of cultural programmes such as exhibitions, symposiums and visits when it is considered mutually beneficial to do so.

#### **7) Joint Study Committee**

Both BRU and SWU agree to set up a joint committee to study, implement and report on the scope and field of cooperation between the two universities.

In order to promote co-operation and understanding between SWU and BRU the two institutions agree as follows:

- Both institutions will encourage direct contact and cooperation between their faculty and administrative staff, departments and research institutions, with the emphasis being on a predetermined field of study.
- BRU and SWU shall negotiate with each other all procedures and every activity planned or to be carried out under this memorandum of understanding.
- All negotiations regarding work, duration of programme, and activities must meet mutual agreement between SWU and BRU before the programme begins.
- Both parties understand that all financial arrangements will have to be negotiated, must meet mutual agreement and will depend on the availability of funds.
- Under no circumstances shall this agreement create any liabilities between SWU and BRU and shall be deemed as an expression of their intention and desire to cooperate towards the fulfillment of their respective functions.
- This agreement may have, from time to time, annexations attached to it with regards to specific projects.



- The two institutions agree to review this agreement both in mid-term after two and half a years and in the final after five years from the date hereof.
- This agreement will commence from the date at which both parties affix their signatures.
- Either party may terminate this agreement at any time by mutual consent or by nine months notice in writing.

**VALIDITY OF AGREEMENT.**

This memorandum goes into effect for five years upon signing by both sides. Should any amendments become necessary, written and signed memoranda from both sides will be required. This memorandum shall be renewed if both BRU and SWU so desire after a period of four and a half years.

Signed for and on behalf of SWU

Signed for and on behalf of BRU



Wang Xiaojia  
President



Kowit Chuamklang  
President

Date:

6.14/07

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14/6/07