



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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UGANDA MARTYRS UNIVERSITY (UMU), the host of the *African Centre of Excellence in Agro-Ecology and Livelihood Systems (ACALISE)*

AND

**Rural Community in Development (RUCID), Uganda
(PARTNER)**

12th ...October....., 2017

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as "MOU") is made this 12th day of October 2017

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Uganda Martyrs University (hereinafter referred to as "UMU"), a faith-based not-for-profit private University, owned by the Uganda Episcopal Conference and whose official postal address is P. O. Box 5498, Kampala, Uganda. UMU is the host to the World Bank/Government of Uganda-sponsored *African Centre of Excellence in Agroecology and Livelihood Systems* (hereinafter referred to as "ACALISE") under the Eastern and Southern Africa Higher Education Centres of Excellence Project (hereinafter referred to as ("ACE II") whose overall Project Development Objective (hereinafter referred to as "PDO") is *to strengthen the capacities of Universities to deliver high quality training and build collaborative research capacity in regional priority areas,*

AND

Rural Community in Development (RUCID) Uganda, (hereinafter referred to as "Partner"), RUCID's primary aim is to work with small holder farmers so that they can improve and sustain their agricultural production, household income, environmental protection, health issues, nutrition, and women in development. Whose postal address is P. O. Box 123, Mityana, Uganda.

Now this MoU witnesseth as follows:

Article 1: Goals of the Collaboration

- 1.1 To work together as partners for the achievement of the overall PDO for the ACE II Project and ensure timely production of the desired results at ACALISE.
- 1.2 To undertake mutual activities and programmes aimed at ensuring timely realization of the following interventions at ACALISE:
 - 1.2.1 Training of the all-round scientist who is not only academically excellent but also ethically sound and morally mindful of both his/her needs and the needs of others and of the environment.
 - 1.2.2 Popularization of sustainable and climate smart agricultural systems like Agro-ecology and food value chains
 - 1.2.3 Promotion of mutual collaborations with research institutions, academic institutions, Government agencies, industry and the Private sector, for sustainable development
 - 1.2.4 Fostering Public-Private partnerships for research, internship, and value addition
 - 1.2.5 Establishment of demonstration farms to provide hands on skills to the communities on the relevant better technologies, techniques, and practices to improve production and productivity.
 - 1.2.6 Reviewing and upgrading Curricula for relevant training and research outputs in line with National and Regional strategic plans for development.
 - 1.2.7 Promotion of the up-grading of research and training infrastructure like laboratories, Video-Conferencing facilities, value addition enterprises
 - 1.2.8 Capacity building for Faculty of Agriculture at UMU and at partner institutions
 - 1.2.9 Improvement of visibility and ranking of the host in order to attract more partnerships, more funding, more experts, and more students for the sustainability of the ACE beyond the five-year timeframe.
 - 1.2.10 Enhance the adoption of research outcomes through outreach programmes in the host and partner institutions

Article 2: Specific Activities to be undertaken by the Partner

- i. All activities to be undertaken by the partner will be detailed in a separate Letter of Engagement, jointly developed by the parties which will be an integral part of this MoU.



- ii. The Letter of Engagement will provide an outline of all activities, targets to be achieved and guiding rules/regulations
- iii. The Letter of Engagement will stipulate the financial requirements and related conditions for the activities to be undertaken and the timeframe within which to deliver the results.

Article 3: Duration of the MoU

This MOU will be valid for a period of four (4) years from12/October 2017 to date...31st Dec 2022... 2020. Any further extension beyond the ACALISE project period will be agreed upon by the parties.

Article 4: Autonomy Clause:

UMU and RUCID agree that each of the parties retains their full autonomy for the day-to-day running in accordance to their respective policies, rules, and regulations, without anything being imposed by either party onto the other provided that results are delivered on time in line with the goals in Article 1.

Article 5: Copyright and patenting

The partner hereby consents that UMU patents all programmes and activities carried out by the partner for ACALISE, In the achievement of the goals stipulated in Article 1. No report, part of it, result, or anything else related to the same, shall be sold, disseminated, withheld, or advertised, without written consent from UMU.

Article 6: Dispute Management

6.1 The parties shall endeavor to resolve all disputes amicably, as the first and main resort.

6.2 In the event of failure to resolve disputes amicably and where the delay to resolve the dispute(s) negatively affect(s) the timely achievement of the goals in Article 1, the MoU shall automatically be terminated.

6.3 As a last resort, Courts of Law shall be engaged, particularly in the event of possible abuse of project funds or failure to provide proper and timely financial accountabilities for monies obtained from UMU.

6.4 In case of dispute resolution between partners the Uganda courts of law shall be the competent courts of arbitration.

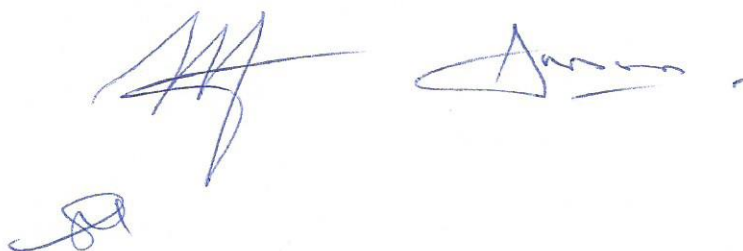
Article 7: Termination

Inadequate performance and inappropriate financial management shall be the main cause for the termination of MoU, and hence, of the collaboration. Inadequate performance is defined as failure to achieve, in a TIMELY MANNER, the mutually agreed upon targets or comply with any other commitments agreed upon in the contract.

Article 8: Article Force Majeure

In case of circumstances beyond the control of any of the parties, either of the parties shall not be held liable.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties affix their respective hands and signatures on this MoU on the date aforementioned:

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On behalf of

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Uganda Martyrs University

RUCID Uganda

Head of the Institution

The Director RUCID

Maviiri JC

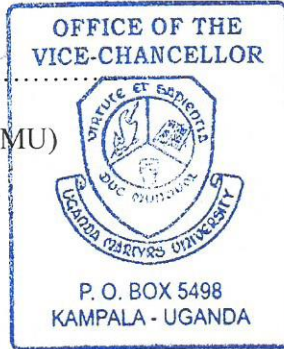
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Rev. Prof. John C. Maviiri (VC, UMU)

Nyanzi Samuel

Date: 12/10/2017

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Assoc. Prof. Julius Mwine (PI, ACALISE)

Mr. Sebadduka Elisha
The Principal RUCID

Date: 12/10/2017

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