



Brandenburg
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Cottbus



Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding is a framework for co-operation between **the Parties**:

**Faculty of Environmental Sciences and Process Engineering
Brandenburg University of Technology (BTU) Cottbus Germany**

and

**Institute for Environmental Science, Engineering and Management (IESEM)
Ho Chi Minh City University of Industry (HUI), Viet Nam**

as authorised by the signatories below.

The Parties agree to:

1. Cooperation in capacity building activities, research and development in the area of "Environmental and Resource Management with a focus on Sustainable Urban Development" and others fields as mutually agreed.
2. Sharing of knowledge, information, facilities and personnel resources which will be necessary for the activities under cooperation, to be set forth in the future with emphasis on, but not limit to, environmental resource management and sustainable urban development for urban metropolitan areas within Viet Nam, and others as mutually agreed.

The **Main Objectives** of the Co-operation are:

1. Supervised intensive training programme at BTU Cottbus in Germany - with duration of one to four months - of high-qualified lecturers of HUI-IESEM according to German university teaching standards. After successfully completing this program, these lecturers will receive an additional (part-time) contract for teaching selected modules within the MSc. Programme "Sustainable Urban Development" offered by BTU Cottbus at the Vietnamese-German University (VGU) in Ho Chi Minh City. (For a thematic description of the modules see Annex 1).
2. Support of HUI-IESEM for professors of BTU Cottbus during their stay in HCMC at VGU to organise scientific excursions related to environmental and resource management issues in HCMC and assistance of HUI-IESEM for proposal development of joint-research activities in these research fields. (For a thematic description of the modules see Annex 2).
3. BTU Cottbus will offer for high-qualified students of HUI-IESEM holding a scholarship of the Vietnamese government the opportunity to apply for the international MSc. and PhD. Programme "Environmental and Resource Management" fully taught in English language at BTU Cottbus in Germany. Additionally BTU Cottbus will assist in the applications for support to high-qualified students of HUI-IESEM for scholarships offered by the German government.

The co-operation does not include any formal financial commitments or rights to inventions, unless through project cooperation developed under this agreement. Exchange of data, research analysis

outcome, resources, guest visits, support of MSc. and PhD. students and common publication of results in the literature, will be agreed from case to case on a voluntary basis.

The Parties share the common understanding that any use by one part of results of this cooperation agreement produced by the other part will be strictly for non-profit purpose, and be fully acknowledged when published in the literature or in other dissemination method.

The Parties agree on the following final provisions:

1. This memorandum shall be effective from the date of signature by all parties and shall be valid until 31 December 2013 at which time it may be renewed by mutual consent.
2. Details of any joint activities, which may set forth in the future under the frame of this Memorandum of Understanding, shall be set out in writing and shall be amended as Annexes to this Memorandum of Understanding once agreed by both parties.
3. Any joint activities which require direct funding will be resolved on a case by case basis between the respective parties.
4. Either Party may terminate this memorandum by providing written notice to the other Party 90 days in advance.
5. In case of termination, both Parties, as reasonably possible, shall honour the terms of any programme of implementation that is in progress and which is subject to a specific implementation agreement.

The co-operation is established between Brandenburg University of Technology (BTU) Cottbus, Faculty of Environmental Sciences and Process Engineering, Cottbus, Germany and Ho Chi Minh City University of Industry, Institute for Environmental Science, Engineering and Management (IESEM) located at Ho Chi Minh City (HCMC), Viet Nam.

Signed in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam on the 23rd November 2011

For Faculty of Environmental Sciences
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