



COLLABORATION AGREEMENT

On the 14th day of September, 2023

BETWEEN

Universidade de Aveiro (University of Aveiro), a Public Foundation functioning under private law, with its registered office at Campus Universitário de Santiago, 3810-193 Aveiro, bearer of collective person / registration No. 501 461 108, represented in this legal act by its Vice-Rector, Prof. Dr Artur Manuel Soares da Silva,

And

Cochin University of Science and Technology, with its registered office at Kalamassery, Kochi-22, Kerala, India, collective person / registration No. U-0253 represented in this legal act by its Registrar, Dr. Meera. V.

Whereas:

- The Universidade de Aveiro attributes particular importance to cooperation with society as one of its core missions, as laid down in its statutes;
- The said cooperation should always have as its purpose the valorization of the teaching staff and researchers of this University;
- The participation of teaching staff and researchers in cooperation activities, which is an integral part of the undertakings of a University, should be compatible with the system of exclusive service;
- Cooperation activities should, to that end, be framed within the context of agreements celebrated by the University;
- The Universidade de Aveiro has knowledge and competencies in various fields that are relevant to sustainable development and that are also particularly relevant to the statutory mission of the international collaboration with other Higher Education Institutions;
- The Cochin University of Science and Technology has the capacity to bring together a highly qualified multidisciplinary team as well as all the competencies required to carry out high quality and sustainable projects for the sector, which are also of relevance to society;
- The signatories recognize a reciprocal interest in approximation and collaboration,

The present Collaboration Agreement, entered into freely and in good faith, and governed by the following clauses, is hereby celebrated:



Clause 1

(Purpose)

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide the framework for cooperation regarding specific tasks of common interest to the signatories.

Clause 2

(Types of collaborative activity)

The Cooperation between the signatories will take the form of the following types of bilateral collaboration activities:

- a) Exchange of teachers, researchers and students for educational and scientific activities within the context of joint teaching and learning programmes at undergraduate and postgraduate levels;
- b) The organization of initiatives in the academic, cultural and scientific spheres, namely joint seminars, conferences and / or other joint meetings;
- c) The joint preparation and development of research activities and projects;
- d) Other activities considered to be of mutual interest.

Clause 3

(Implementation)

1. The collaboration covered by this Agreement will be implemented through specific contracts to be celebrated by the signatories.
2. The rights and obligations of the signatories with respect to the work programmes of the specific projects stemming from this Agreement, as well as to contents, costs, duration, confidentiality and ownership of research results, will be established within the context of the specific contracts drawn up, upon agreement by both parties.

Clause 4

(Coordination)

1. The scientific and technical coordination required towards the implementation of this Agreement will be the responsibility of prof. Artur M. S. Silva, on behalf of the Universidade de Aveiro, and Dr. Meera. V, on behalf of CUSAT.
2. With a view to the monitoring, planning and the periodic assessment of the application of the Agreement, as well as to taking decisions towards the adequate execution of the Agreement, the signatories will organize regular meetings between their representatives.

Clause 5

(Entry into force, duration and termination)

1. This Agreement enters into force on the date of its signature and has a duration of two



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- years, with automatic renewal for equal periods unless notice of termination is given no less than 60 days in advance, and without prejudice to any activities ongoing at that time.
2. The Agreement may be modified in whole or in part, or terminated, always by common accord between the signatories.

This Agreement is drawn up in duplicate and signed by the representatives of the Signatories with one copy destined to each one of these.

On behalf of the Universidade de Aveiro

On behalf of Cochin University of
Science and Technology

Prof. Dr. Artur M. S. Silva

Prof. Dr. Meera. V

14/09/2023

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