MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN

College of Social Sciences at Ritsumeikan University and The Maria Grzegorzewska University

Ritsumeikan University is a private institution which was founded in 1900. Ritsumeikan University offers a wide range of courses in advanced studies at its Kinugasa Campus in Kyoto, Biwako-Kusatsu Campus (BKC) in Shiga and Osaka Ibaraki Campus (OIC) in Osaka. The College of Social Sciences has five majors: Sociology and Social Studies, Media and Society, Sports and Society, Children and Society, or Human Welfare.

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The Maria Grzegorzewska University (APS) is a public funded Institution of Higher Education, approved and Authorized by the Ministry of Science and Higher Education, founded in 1922, has been in operation and good standing since.

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The parties wish to establish a spirit of shared cooperation and to build long-term relationships for the benefit of their institutions, students, faculty, researchers, and respective communities.

In order to promote cooperation between the College of Social Sciences at Ritsumeikan University and the Maria Grzegorzewska University the two institutions agree to encourage direct contact and cooperation between their students, faculty, research, and administrative staff.

Within fields that are mutually acceptable, the following general forms of cooperation will be pursued:

- Cultural, educational and research initiatives
- Exchange programs
- Internships
- Exchange of information
- Joint collaborative grant proposals
- Collaboration on Continuing Education programs and Certificates
- Capacity building and collaboration on graduate programs.

Both parties understand that all financial arrangements will have to be negotiated and agreed upon with due regard to the availability of funds and other resources.

Specific details for the implementation of these activities will be developed mutually for specific projects and faculty or administrative personnel will be appointed by the parties to follow up on each project.

The Memorandum of Understanding envisages that there may be a specific subsidiary contract in writing for each particular project.

This agreement will be effective from the date of the last signature for an initial period of 5 years. Thereafter, it will be automatically extended for an additional period of 5 years at each expiration date, unless either of the institutions provides a written notice to terminate the agreement to the other institution a minimum of 6 months prior to the expiration date.

This agreement is to be executed in the English language in duplicate, with one copy for each institution. Both copies will be of equal validity.

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