# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)

**between**

**CENTRE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF THE NON-ALIGNED AND OTHER DEVELOPING COUNTRIES (NAM S&T CENTRE) NEW DELHI, INDIA**

**and**

**UNIVERSITAS NEGERI MALANG (UM) MALANG, INDONESIA**

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The **Centre for Science and Technology of the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries (NAM S&T Centre), New Delhi, India**, hereinafter referred to as the **"NAM S&T Centre"**; and the **Universitas Negeri Malang (UM), Malang, Indonesia**, hereinafter referred to as the **"UM"**; together hereinafter referred to as the **"Parties"**, intend to establish a collaborative relationship on the basis of previously built contacts and mutual understanding to undertake joint scientific activities in the fields of mutual interests especially Science & Technology and related issues as indicated hereunder:

## PART- I

## Areas of Cooperation

Recognizing the common interest, mutual understanding and the importance of strengthening cooperation between the NAM S&T Centre and UM for the purpose of scientific collaboration; exchange of knowledge and expertise; human resource development in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Social Sciences; and dissemination of S&T knowledge and information, the Parties agree to undertake the following:

- To organise international Workshops and Training Programmes from time to time on topics of importance and relevance to the scientific communities of Indonesia, as well as those of NAM and other developing countries;
- To initiate a *"Joint NAM S&T Centre–UM, Malang, Indonesia Post-Doctoral Fellowship"* to provide opportunities to scientists, researchers and academicians from Member Countries and S&T–Industry Network Members of the NAM S&T Centre to affiliate with UM and its constituent academic institutions in various fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Social Sciences, with the aim of contributing to academic and research development;
- To explore the possibilities of bringing out joint Scientific Publications through reputed International/National Publishers; and
- To publish Fact Files and other S&T related documents on emerging topics of relevance to developing countries, for the dissemination of S&T information and knowledge among scientific communities and other stakeholders.

## PART-II

## Terms of Cooperation

### Scientific Programmes:

- The NAM S&T Centre, in consultation with UM, shall prepare an Announcement Brochure to organize a scientific programme (including Workshops and Training Programmes) in Indonesia and circulate the same among its Member Countries and other scientific agencies, inviting nominations from interested scientists, experts and professionals. UM shall also circulate the Announcement Brochure within Indonesia and to any other relevant organizations/institutions in its network;
- The NAM S&T Centre shall ensure participation of scientists and experts from its Member Countries. Generally, around 12-15 participants shall be sponsored by the Centre for each programme;
- UM shall ensure the participation of scientists and experts from Indonesia and any institutions and agencies within its network; and
- The NAM S&T Centre and UM shall jointly identify experts and professionals in relevant fields from any country to be invited as resource persons/trainers to deliver keynote/invited lectures or to provide training during the programme.

### Fellowship:

- The NAM S&T Centre shall sponsor up to five (5) scientists or researchers per year from its Member Countries and S&T – Industry Network Members to undertake research or academic activities at UM or its constituent academic institutions under the "Joint NAM S&T Centre–UM, Malang, Indonesia Post-Doctoral Fellowship";

- The Fellowship shall be awarded for a duration of up to 12 weeks;
- Detailed guidelines for the Fellowship, including eligibility criteria, submission of application and selection procedure shall be prepared by the NAM S&T Centre in consultation with UM; and
- UM shall designate and communicate to the NAM S&T Centre the name and contact details of a Faculty Member who shall serve as the Coordinator of the Fellowship.

**Publications:**

- The NAM S&T Centre and UM shall jointly discuss and identify areas and specific topics for publications under this cooperation;
- Both parties shall make efforts to solicit contributions of papers or articles from experts and professionals, through their respective network and contacts;
- An editorial board comprising international experts shall be constituted through mutual consultation between the Parties, and all submitted articles/papers shall be reviewed by the Editorial Board;
- The edited and finalised manuscripts shall be published in the form of a book or monograph by the NAM S&T Centre through reputed International/National Publishers on its Panel, under the overall guidance of the Editorial Board; and
- Both parties shall facilitate any other mutually agreed activities, including the publication of Fact Files, deemed appropriate for the publication process.

**Coordination Mechanism:**

- Each Party shall designate a Coordinator to facilitate communication, coordination and implementation of activities under this MoU; and
- Detailed implementation arrangements for specific activities, including scientific programmes and fellowship, shall be developed separately by mutual consultation between the Parties.

## PART - III

## Financial and Other Terms

The Parties acknowledge that financial implications of collaborative activities may vary depending on the scope, scale and nature of each programme. Therefore, detailed financial arrangements shall be mutually agreed upon and specified, where necessary, at the time of implementation.

**Scientific Programmes:**

- Activities under this MoU, including organizing of International Workshops and Training Programmes shall be implemented on a cost-sharing basis as mutually agreed by the Parties for each programme;

- The NAM S&T Centre shall be responsible for the return international travel of its sponsored foreign participants from their home countries to Indonesia;
- UM shall arrange the travel costs for the resource persons and other participants invited by UM, if needed;
- UM shall arrange, from its own sources or through grants, sponsorships or any other financial support, the expenses for local hospitality, including accommodation, meals, and airport transfers or local transportation for all participants, including foreign participants sponsored by the NAM S&T Centre and UM, for the duration of the programme; and
- The NAM S&T Centre shall communicate to UM the detailed operational terms and conditions applicable to each scientific programme prior to its implementation.

## Fellowship:

- **The NAM S&T Centre** shall be responsible for covering the round-trip international travel costs of the selected Fellows from their home countries to Indonesia. Visa application fees and any associated visa-related expenses shall be borne by the respective Fellows and shall not be the financial responsibility of either the NAM S&T Centre or Universitas Negeri Malang (UM);
- **Universitas Negeri Malang (UM)** shall provide each Fellow with a monthly allowance of **Indonesian Rupiah (IDR) 15,000,000** (approximately **USD 900**) for the duration of the Fellowship. UM shall also arrange, free of charge, ground transportation between Malang or Surabaya Airport and UM upon the Fellows' arrival and departure. In addition, UM may provide accommodation at a subsidized rate in accordance with applicable university regulations during the Fellowship period;
- **UM** shall not charge any training costs or any other fees from Fellows participating in the Fellowship; and
- **UM** shall provide access to relevant facilities, including instruments, equipment, laboratories, library resources, and internet services, subject to applicable university regulations, as required by the Fellows for the implementation of their approved research activities.

## Publications:

- The NAM S&T Centre shall bear the expenditure related to the publication of books or monographs through an International/National Publisher on its panel; and
- Both the Parties shall individually bear any minor expenses incurred at their respective ends in connection with the publication process.

## PART- IV

## Confidentiality

Each Party shall keep confidential all information or material acquired or produced in connection with this MoU and shall not, without the prior written consent of the other Party, use, disclose or otherwise make such information or material in any form available to any third party, except as required by law. This provision is binding on the Parties and shall survive the termination or expiry of this MoU.

## PART- V

## Intellectual Property

Ownership of any Intellectual Property shared or developed by the Parties pursuant to this MoU shall remain with the respective contributor or creator. All such materials must be treated as confidential and shall not be made available for public circulation without prior written consent of both Parties. This provision is binding on the Parties and shall survive the termination or expiry of this MoU.

## PART- VI

## Use of Name and Logo

Neither Party shall use the name, logo, or any variation thereof of the other Party, or of its members, employees or students, in any publicity, advertising, or news release without the prior written approval of an authorized representative of the concerned Party. This provision is binding on the Parties and shall survive the termination or expiry of this MoU.

## PART - VII

## Effective Date and Length of MoU

This MoU takes effect on the date the last Party signs and shall remain in force for a period of **three (3) years**. Any amendment or modification to this MoU shall require written approval by the respective authorities of both the NAM S&T Centre, New Delhi, and the UM, Malang. Upon expiry, this MoU may be renewed by mutual written consent of the Parties.

## PART – VIII

## Termination of Agreement

Either Party reserves the right to terminate this agreement upon six (6) months' written notice to the other Party. Any individual activities to be continued shall be specifically identified and provided for at the time of termination. The Parties may, where feasible, ensure the orderly completion, documentation and handover of ongoing activities, subject to mutual agreement.

## PART – IX

### General

Nothing contained herein or in the activities conducted hereunder shall constitute either Party as an agent, servant, or employee of the other Party, and each Party shall be fully and solely responsible for its own actions and obligations;

Any difference or dispute arising between the parties regarding the interpretation or implementation of this MoU shall be resolved amicably through mutual discussion and consultation. This MoU represents a statement of intent and mutual understanding between the Parties and does not create any legally binding obligations.

## PART – X

### Point of Contact

Each Party shall designate a focal point to coordinate communication and implementation of activities under this MoU. The designated focal points shall serve as the primary contact persons between the Parties.

| **For NAM S&T Centre** | **For Universitas Negeri Malang (UM)** |
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## PART – XI

### Force Majeure

Neither Party shall be held responsible for any delay or failure in performing its activities under this MoU to the extent that such delay or failure results from circumstances beyond its reasonable control, including but not limited to natural disasters, epidemics or pandemics, war, civil unrest, acts of terrorism, government actions or restrictions, changes in applicable laws or regulations, travel or visa restrictions, or other events of a similar nature. The affected Party shall promptly notify the other Party and, where reasonably practicable, the Parties shall consult and make reasonable efforts to reschedule, modify, or otherwise address the affected activities.

## PART-XII

### Compliance with National and International Laws/Regulations

The Parties shall carry their respective obligations under this MoU in compliance with all applicable national and international laws and regulations.

This MoU shall take effect on the date of the final signature as indicated below.

**IN WITNESS HEREOF**, the Parties, through their duly authorized representatives, hereby agree to the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding, drawn up in two originals in English, with each Party retaining one original.

**CENTRE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF THE NON-ALIGNED AND OTHER DEVELOPING COUNTRIES (NAM S&T CENTRE), NEW DELHI, INDIA**

**Amitava Bandopadhyay, Ph. D.**
Director General

**Date** 02 November 2026

**UNIVERSITAS NEGERI MALANG (UM), MALANG, INDONESIA**

**Prof. Dr. Hariyono, M. Pd.**
Rector

**Date** 02 November 2026