



MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA)
BETWEEN
THE SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATION UNIT
UNIVERSITAS NEGERI MALANG (UM), INDONESIA
AND
FACULTY OF ENGINEERING
NNAMDI AZIKIWE UNIVERSITY, NIGERIA

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Nnamdi Azikiwe University Ref. No.: NAU/FENG/UJEAS/001

This Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) is made and entered into by and between:

- 1. THE SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATION UNIT, UNIVERSITAS NEGERI MALANG (UM), INDONESIA** : A unit at Universitas Negeri Malang (UM) responsible for managing and developing the university's scholarly journals and academic books. It supports high-quality publishing, enhances international visibility, and promotes innovation in editorial practices through the use of digital tools and global collaboration
- 2. FACULTY OF ENGINEERING, NNAMDI AZIKIWE UNIVERSITY, NIGERIA** :

Hereinafter referred to as "the Parties". Recognizing the importance of international collaboration in academic publishing and expressing their shared commitment to enhancing the quality, visibility, and global reach of scholarly publications, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1
PURPOSE

This MoA aims to promote academic collaboration between the Parties in the field of scientific publishing, particularly through mutual exchange of knowledge, expertise, and resources.

ARTICLE 2
AREAS OF COOPERATION

The Parties agree to cooperate in the following areas:

1. Article Exchange
 - a) Recommending and facilitating publication of scholarly articles authored by researchers from each Party in the partner's academic journals.
 - b) Optionally providing special sections or issues for featured articles from the collaborating institution.
2. Sharing of Reviewers
 - a) Providing expert reviewers from each institution to support the peer-review process of the other's journals.
3. Sharing of Editors
 - a) Assigning academic staff as guest editors or editorial board members in journals managed by the other institution.
4. Joint Academic Events
 - a) Organizing joint webinars, workshops, or training sessions to enhance academic writing and publishing competencies.
5. Increasing International Visibility
 - a) Supporting mutual efforts in international indexation and improving journal metrics and outreach.
6. Monitoring and Evaluation

The progress of the collaboration shall be reviewed periodically, at least once a year, through a mutually agreed reporting mechanism or meeting to assess achievements, address challenges, and plan future activities.

ARTICLE 3
DURATION

This MoA is valid for a period of five (5) years from the date of the later signature affixed by the Parties. It may be extended or modified upon mutual written agreement by both Parties.

ARTICLE 4
FUNDING

Unless otherwise agreed upon in writing, each Party shall be responsible for its own costs and expenses incurred in connection with the implementation of this MoA. This MoA does not imply any financial obligation or transfer of funds between the Parties.

ARTICLE 5
DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Any disputes arising from or in connection with the implementation of this MoA shall be resolved amicably through dialogue and mutual understanding. Should the Parties be unable to reach resolution through dialogue, further steps such as mediation may be pursued under mutually agreed terms.

ARTICLE 6
FORCE MAJEURE

Neither Party shall be held liable for any failure or delay in the performance of its obligations under this MoA due to circumstances beyond its reasonable control, including but not limited to natural disasters, acts of war, government restrictions, pandemics, or other events of force majeure. In such cases, the affected Party shall notify the other Party in writing as soon as possible, and both Parties shall consult to agree on appropriate measures, including the suspension or adjustment of the affected obligations.

ARTICLE 7
COPIES AND LEGAL STANDING

This MoA is made in two (2) original copies in the English language. Each Party shall retain one copy, and both copies shall be deemed equally authentic and legally binding.

ARTICLE 8
PERSONS-IN-CHARGE (PIC)

Each Party shall appoint a Person-in-Charge (PIC) to coordinate and monitor the implementation of this MoA. The PICs shall serve as the primary points of contact for communication, planning, reporting, and evaluation of activities under this Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized by the respective *faculty*, have signed this Memorandum of Agreement on the dates indicated below.

Malang, 12 June 2025



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Awka, 12 June 2025

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