

**Memorandum of Understanding
on Cooperation
in the Field of Higher Education
between the
Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research (BMBWF) – Vienna
and the
Ministry of Education (MOE) – Taipei**

The Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research (BMBWF) – Vienna and the Ministry of Education (MOE) – Taipei (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Participants") have each decided that they will jointly provide support for the promotion of academic relations between their universities and universities of applied sciences, with the aim of undertaking collaborative projects. The projects will be located at the interface between teaching and research on the one hand, and business on the other hand. The mobility of students (Bachelor, Master and PhD-level), lecturers, and researchers will be supported within the framework of the projects.

Article 1
Ministry of Education (MOE) Funding

The Ministry of Education (MOE) will provide an amount of EUR 300,000 (*three hundred thousand euros*). Higher education institutions that fall within the competence of the MOE will be invited to submit projects. Within the framework of these projects, the associated travel costs and costs of stay of students, teachers and researchers may be supported.

Article 2
Application Processing on the MOE Side

The Ministry of Education (MOE) will commission the Department of International and Cross-strait Education (DICE) to handle the processing of applications from institutions that fall within the competence of the MOE.



Article 3

Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research (BMBWF) Funding

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Article 4

Application Processing on the BMBWF Side

The Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research (BMBWF) will commission OeAD-GmbH Österreichische Austauschdienst to handle the processing of applications from institutions that fall within the competence of the BMBWF.

Article 5

Contact Persons

The nominated contact person for each of the Participants is: The Head of the Department for International University Cooperation at the Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research (BMBWF); and the Director General of the Department of International and Cross-strait Education (MOE).

Article 6

Applications

Both Participants will inform each other as soon as the conditions for submitting applications have been created. Each project will have an applicant from one side and a partner from the other side. The applicant will submit the project to their competent authority.

Article 7

Evaluation and Selection

The project will be evaluated by both Participants. Once the projects have been ranked, the two contact persons will be asked to make a joint decision.

Article 8
Type and Amount of Funding

Each person will receive a maximum of EUR 1,500 (*one thousand, five hundred euros*) for travelling costs and a monthly allowance of EUR 1,000 (*one thousand euros*).

Article 9
General Provisions

The term of effect of this memorandum is from the date of its signing to December 31, 2020. This term may be extended by both Participants giving their agreement in writing. If the funds are exhausted before December 31, 2020, further funding will not be available. After evaluating the results of this joint funding, a new memorandum of understanding may be negotiated.

Article 10
Nature of this Document

This Memorandum of Understanding does not create any legal or financial obligations under national or international law.

Done in duplicate in the English language.

On behalf of the
**Federal Ministry of Education, Science and
Research (BMBWF)**

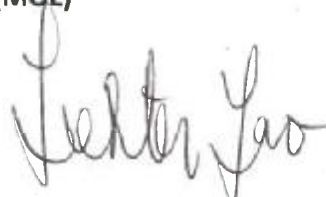


Director General
Barbara Weitgruber

Date: Jan. 28, 2019

Place: Vienna

On behalf of the
**Ministry of Education
(MOE)**



Political Deputy Minister
Yao Leehter

Date: Dec. 17, 2018

Place: Taipei