



**GENERAL AGREEMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY
FOUNDATION OF THE STATE OF RIO GRANDE DO NORTE, BRAZIL AND _____**

CONSIDERING the interest in the strengthening of technical, scientific, linguistic and cultural relations between Brazil and _____.

CONSIDERING the common interest of promoting and stimulating the teaching and the scientific and pedagogical advances of the two countries;

CONSIDERING the need to qualify human resources in higher education level in order to improve teaching productivity by providing opportunities for staff development;

CONSIDERING the interest and the need to increase technical and scientific exchange and cooperation, with the objective of strengthening institutional scientific research and development programs between the two countries;

THE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION OF RIO GRANDE DO NORTE STATE (FUERN), State of Rio Grande do Norte, Brazil, represented by its President, Professor Dr. Pedro Fernandes Ribeiro Neto, headquartered at Rua Dr. Almino Afonso, 478 - Centro, Mossoró - RN, 59610-210 and _____, headquartered _____, represented here by its President, _____, through this INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT, wish to collaborate in activities, according to the following clauses and conditions:

CLAUSE I - Both contracting institutions shall endeavor to stimulate and implement programs of technical, scientific and cultural cooperation, in accordance with the laws in force in their respective countries and with the Rules of International Law.

CLAUSE II - Cooperation shall include the transfer of knowledge and experience and/or any other activity of common interest related to teaching, research, university administration and human resources training, including the exchange of professors, students and members of their technical and administrative staff.

CLAUSE III - Each activity to be developed as part of this Agreement shall be proposed in a project that specifies the objectives, planning, schedule, human resources and materials required.

CLAUSE IV - Cooperation under this Agreement shall be based on the joint participation of the two institutions and on the basis of reciprocity and equivalence of actions. with the purpose of accelerating and ensuring qualitative and quantitative expansion in higher education. Actions may include:



- a) Professor Exchange - with written presentation of credentials, proposed activities and invitation letter;
- b) Student Exchange - with written presentation of credentials, properly completed forms and acceptance letter from the host institution;
- c) Exchange of Technical-Administrative Personnel - with written presentation of credentials and proposed activities.
- d) Joint Research - based on specific proposal(s), qualification of participating professors, approval of both institutions and support from other funding sources;
- e) Use of Facilities - use of laboratories, equipment and bibliographic collection, involving programs established according to common interests;
- f) Other Cooperative Actions - actions that are not expressed in this Agreement, which will be considered relevant in the future by both institutions involved;
- g) Detailed programs for the carrying out these activities will be negotiated and signed in additional documents in accordance with this Agreement.

CLAUSE V - The aforementioned clauses allow the participation of other university and non-university institutions, provided that they sign an agreement in accordance with the objectives of this document and have the written permission of the two signatory institutions of this Agreement.

CLAUSE VI - While participating in activities in accordance with this Agreement, participants in both contracting institutions are subject to legal rules of their home institutions.

CLAUSE VII - Both institutions agree that the intensity and type of practical cooperation depend on the financial resources of each institution. In this sense, programmatic planning will be adopted in function of these resources.

CLAUSE VIII - Members of the administrative staff and students involved in this Agreement may participate in exchange programs and will pay academic fees, if there is any at their home institution. Travel, accommodation and other expenses will be paid by the student/staff member. The existence of this Agreement shall not entail any obligation on the student/staff member's funding for the institutions concerned and, in the case of interest/possibility, the institution concerned expresses it by means of a formal document.

CLAUSE IX - Responsibility for participation in the activities of the Agreement is restricted to the participant in the event of negligence.



CLAUSE X - Members of the administrative staff and students participating in exchange programs must provide travel insurance against illness and accidents that may occur during the visit or staying to/in the host country.

CLAUSE XI - All formal presentations and publications resulting from collaboration between the two institutions under the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall mention this Agreement.

CLAUSE XII - For correspondence/contact regarding this Agreement, the following addresses of each institution shall be used:

Rio Grande do Norte State University Foundation / UERN

Address: 478 Dr. Almino Afonso Street - Downtown, Mossoró - RN, 59610-210

Email: daint@uern.br

Phone: +55 (84) 3316-0794

CLAUSE XIII - This Agreement shall be effective for a period of five years from the date of its signature. The participant that may not feel interested shall inform the other of their intention to terminate it, at least ninety days in advance, and the activities in progress are guaranteed until the date of their termination.

CLAUSE XIV - The participating institutions, by mutual agreement, shall endeavor to settle any doubts or disputes arising from this Agreement, by means of consensual negotiation. In the event that no consensual resolution is possible, the parties shall by mutual agreement appoint a third member, individual, to act as a mediator.

CLAUSE XV - This Agreement will be published by FUERN in its Official Journal - JOURN, being the publication an indispensable condition for its effectiveness.

And, being thus just and agreed, the Institutions sign this Agreement in two (02) copies of the same content and form, so that the effects contained in may happen immediately.

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Professor Dr. PEDRO FERNANDES RIBEIRO NETO
President of the UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION OF RIO GRANDE DO NORTE STATE.

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President of _____