

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
SOLOMON ISLANDS NATIONAL UNIVERSITY, HONIARA, SOLOMON ISLANDS  
AND  
THE UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO, DUNEDIN, NEW ZEALAND**

Solomon Islands National University, Honiara, Solomon Islands, and the University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand, desiring to establish collaborative relations between the two institutions to promote friendship and to co-operate in a mutually beneficial association, have agreed that:

1. The two institutions shall continue to explore and encourage co-operation in any discipline and area of research covered by both institutions.
2. The two institutions shall seek to promote:
  - exchange of information and materials that are of mutual interest
  - exchange between the two institutions of:
    - ♦ academic and administrative staff
    - ♦ students
    - ♦ other staff mutually agreed upon
  - provision of briefing services by each institution for visitors from the other institution
  - other forms of co-operation which the two institutions may jointly arrange.

Details of any such activities and any obligations or responsibilities of either institution with respect to any such activities, will be subject to a separate written agreement signed by both parties.

3. The two institutions shall decide through consultation the specific areas and details of co-operation to explore under the framework of this Memorandum of Understanding and shall consult from time to time at the request of either institution for the purpose of reviewing the operation of this Memorandum of Understanding.
4. The financial and other detailed arrangements involved in the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled through consultation between the two institutions in respect of each programme of co-operation. No financial commitments are being made by either institution under this Memorandum of Understanding.
5. This Memorandum of Understanding shall become operative on the last date indicated hereunder and shall remain in force for a period of five (5) years with an option to renew for another five (5) years.
6. This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended and supplemented by agreement between the two institutions. However, additional and legally binding activities between the two institutions will be subject to a separate written agreement, signed by both parties.
7. The parties acknowledge that, although this Memorandum of Understanding is not legally enforceable, they intend to comply with the terms, conditions, responsibilities and undertakings stipulated in this Memorandum of Understanding.

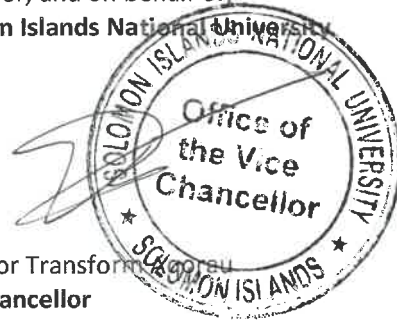


8. Either institution may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding by giving six (6) months notice in writing to the other institution. Any projects, training, or exchanges that may have commenced at either institution before the date of termination may be completed by special agreement between the two institutions. For conditions not covered by this Memorandum of Understanding, or for problems that arise during the course of this Memorandum of Understanding, both parties undertake to refrain from unilateral action and to consult and negotiate mutually acceptable decisions.
9. The institutions shall confer concerning the renewal of this Memorandum of Understanding six (6) months prior to the date of expiration.

Signed for, and on behalf of,  
**The University of Otago**

Professor Richard Blaikie  
**Vice-Chancellor (Acting)**

Signed for, and on behalf of  
**Solomon Islands National University**



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**Vice-Chancellor**

On this date 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024 \_\_\_\_\_

On this date 31<sup>st</sup> JANUARY, 2024