

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR ACADEMIC CO-OPERATION
BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF MATERIALS AND THE
INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH CENTRE FOR POLYMER
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS,
UNITED KINGDOM, AND THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE,
CHIANG MAI UNIVERSITY, CHIANG MAI, THAILAND**

The Department of Materials and the Interdisciplinary Research Centre (IRC) for Polymer Science and Technology of the University of Leeds and the Faculty of Science of Chiang Mai University agree that the encouragement and development of co-operation and exchange in all academic areas of mutual interest would be desirable. The two institutions wish to expand the basis for friendship and co-operative educational exchange between the United Kingdom and Thailand. The Universities of Leeds and Chiang Mai therefore set forth the following proposals.

Article 1 The purposes of this general agreement include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Development of collaborative research projects.
2. Organisation of joint academic and scientific activities, such as courses, conferences, seminars, symposia or lectures.
3. Exchange of research, teaching and technical personnel.
4. Chiang Mai to act in an advisory capacity for the placement of Thai students at Leeds.
5. Exchange of publications and other materials of common interest.
6. To facilitate or expand any other existing agreements which either Leeds or Chiang Mai may have with other institutions/organisations in the UK or Thailand which further the purposes of this agreement.

Article 2 In order to carry out and fulfil the goals of this agreement, the Universities of Leeds and Chiang Mai will appoint a co-ordinator for the development and management of joint activities. Through these contact persons, either institution may initiate proposals for activities under this agreement. Specific details of any activity will be set forth in a letter of agreement which will become an integral part of this general agreement upon signing by appropriate authorities at both universities. A letter of agreement will include such items as:

1. Elaboration of the responsibilities of each institution for the agreed activity.
2. Schedules for specific activity.
3. Budgets and sources of financing for each activity.
4. Any other items necessary for the smooth and efficient management of the activity.

The contact persons will be responsible for the preliminary evaluation of activities under this agreement according to the practices of their respective institutions leading up to formal agreement by the Dean of the Faculty of Science, Chiang Mai and the Head of the Department of Materials, and/or Director of the IRC, Leeds. Letters of agreement will be approved at each institution according to the normal procedures for the type of activities proposed therein.

Article 3 This agreement will come into force on the date of its signature by both parties and will be valid without time limitations. This agreement may be amended by mutual agreement of both institutions.

This agreement may be terminated by either institution at any time provided that the terminating institution gives written notice of intention to terminate at least six months prior to termination.

As witness to their subscription of the above articles, the appropriate authorities at the University of Leeds and the Faculty of Science, Chiang Mai University, hereunto set their hands.

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THE UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS



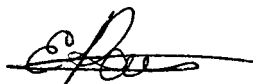
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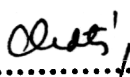
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