

**INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT CONCERNING
THE UNESCO CHAIR ON MATERIALS AND TECHNOLOGIES FOR ENERGY CONVERSION,
SAVING AND STORAGE**

BETWEEN: Institut national de la recherche scientifique, a legal person created by letters patent pursuant to the *Act respecting the Université du Québec* (R.S.Q., c. U-1), with its head office at 490 de la Couronne Street, Québec City, Québec, Canada, G1K 9A9, represented by Daniel Coderre, Director General and by Yves Bégin, Scientific Director, duly authorized for the purposes of these presents as they so declare;

(Hereinafter "INRS")

AND: Veer Surendra Sai University of Technology with its head office at Burla, Sambalpur, Odisha, India, represented by Registrar;

(Hereinafter "VSSUT")

(Hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Parties")

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS the UNESCO Chair on Materials and Technologies for Energy Conversion, Saving and Storage (MATECSS) has been established at INRS under the responsibility of Professor Federico Rosei;

WHEREAS the purpose of the Chair is to promote an integrated system of research, training, information and documentation in the field of energy conversion, saving and storage;

WHEREAS the Parties intend to enhance their relationship through cooperation and participation in the activities of the UNESCO Chair on Materials and Technologies for Energy Conversion, Saving and Storage;

WHEREAS through such cooperation and participation the Parties wish to enhance their teaching and research resources in connection with their mutual fields of expertise and interest targeted by the Chair;

WHEREAS in furtherance of the foregoing, VSSUT wishes to collaborate with INRS in activities carried out under the UNESCO Chair MATECSS, as a partner institution of the Chair;

WHEREAS the Parties wish to frame future cooperation by means of this agreement (hereinafter the "Agreement");

ACCORDINGLY THE PARTIES AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING:

1. PURPOSE OF THIS AGREEMENT

- 1.1 The purpose of this Agreement is to formalise cooperation in the development of research and training in fields of mutual interest through the activities of the UNESCO Chair MATECSS.

2. MEANS OF COOPERATION

- 2.1 Cooperation may be achieved through the following means:

- (i) Joint supervision of graduate students;
- (ii) Planning and carrying out of joint research activities;
- (iii) Exchanges involving professors and other researchers;
- (iv) Organizing and offering training sessions for professors, researchers or students;
- (v) Creation of collaborative training programs;
- (vi) Participation in seminars;
- (vii) Exchange of teaching materials, scientific publications, models or software;
- (viii) Active participation in seeking research funding nationally and internationally in order to conduct research activities.

- 2.2 All proposed cooperation projects flowing from this Agreement shall be covered by a further specific agreement which respects the principles set out in this Agreement, subject however to resources available to each Party and to obtaining the required approvals from each of the Parties' authorities pursuant to their own rules.

- 2.3 Each specific agreement will deal with the following as is necessary:

- (i) Conditions for cooperation;
- (ii) Contributions of the Parties;
- (iii) Means of financing;
- (iv) The precise scope of the project;
- (v) The results expected and their nature;
- (vi) Provisions concerning publication and disclosure of results, and concerning intellectual property and confidentiality;
- (vii) The term of the agreement and provisions concerning possible renewal or amendment;
- (viii) Identification by each of the Parties of a person in charge of each given project;
- (ix) Conditions regarding disputes and the termination of the agreement;
- (x) Conditions under which the Parties agree to involve third parties in the agreement;
- (xi) Any other condition or provision which in the opinion of both Parties serves their interests.

- 2.4 Each of the Parties shall bear the costs in relation to the performance, management and administration of its activities under this Agreement.

3. TERM AND RESILIATION (TERMINATION)

- 3.1 This Agreement comes into force on the date on which the last signatory signs it, and shall remain in force until November 18, 2017. Subject to approval by the decision-making authorities of each Party, this Agreement may be renewed by the signature by the Parties of a separate document.

- 3.2 Each of the Parties is entitled to terminate this Agreement at any time by giving a prior written notice of 6 months.

4. PUBLICITY

- 4.1 A Party shall not use the logos, emblems or the name of the other Party or of any of its employees for publicity or commercial purposes without the written authorization of the authorized representatives of the other Party. Each Party acknowledges however that the other Party may mention the existence of this Agreement and of any specific agreement which may result therefrom, the names of the Parties involved, the names of the specific projects and the amounts invested in these projects in its financial and administrative reports.

5.0. COMMUNICATIONS

- 5.1 For the purposes of this Agreement, the Parties agree that communications between them shall be sent as follows:

For INRS:

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Fax number: 0663-2430204
Email: debabratadhupal@gmail.com

- 5.2 Notice of change of address shall be given by the Party affected to the other Party.

6. AMENDMENTS

- 6.1 All amendments to this Agreement require the written consent of the authorized representatives of each of the Parties.


7. DISPUTES

- 7.1 In case of a disagreement or a dispute between the Parties in relation to the Agreement, its interpretation or application, the Parties shall try to negotiate a settlement. If no satisfactory settlement is reached, either one of the Parties may terminate this Agreement by giving prior notice of 30 days, notwithstanding article 3.2.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF THE PARTIES HAVE SIGNED in 2 copies



For the Institut national de la recherche scientifique:

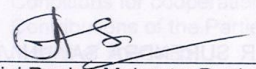

Daniel Coderre, Director General

22/10/2014
Date

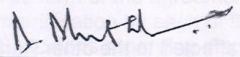

Yves Bégin, Scientific Director

16/10/2014
Date

For the Veer Surendra Sai University of Technology:


Dr. Jamini Ranjan Mohanty, Registrar

12.09.14
Date


Dr. Debabrata Dhupal, TEQIP-II Co-ordinator
Coordinator, TEQIP
VSSUT, Burla, Odisha

12/09/2014
Date