



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN:

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY
BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA

AND:

UNIVERSITY OF PATRAS
PATRAS, GREECE

WHEREAS:

- A. The parties share a common interest in many academic and educational fields; and
- B. In order to promote future institutional cooperation, the parties wish to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding ("**MOU**").

NOW THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

1. **Objective.** The objective of this MOU is to outline the possible ways in which University of Patras and Simon Fraser University could develop and carry out collaborative activities. This MOU replaces the Agreement and Letter of Intent that were signed by the parties on February 8, 2002, and all of the parties' rights and obligations thereunder.
2. **Scope of Activities.** The scope of collaboration on academic and research activities under this MOU may include, but is not limited to the following:
 - (a) exchange of scholarly publications and information;
 - (b) exchange of faculty, staff, and students (including the development of study abroad opportunities);
 - (c) development of collaborative research programs or projects of mutual interest;
 - (d) discussion of academic and administrative developments, including co-sponsorship of symposia, seminars and conferences;
 - (e) cooperation in the development of education generally, including the potential for offering joint programs; and

(f) pursuit of consulting and project opportunities.

3. **Not Legally Binding.** This MOU is not intended to be and is not to be construed as a legally binding agreement. Signing of this MOU does not result in any material, financial or other obligation for either of the parties hereto. By signing this MOU, the parties are signifying their desire for future collaboration. Specific initiatives may be considered and agreed upon, on a case by case basis, including the contributions and obligations of each institution. Subsidiary agreements may be signed as required.

4. **Term.** This MOU will be valid for a period of 5 (five) years and will become effective when signed by both parties. The date this MOU is signed by the last party to sign it (as indicated by the date associated with that party's signature) will be deemed the date of this MOU. This MOU may be extended or amended with the written agreement of both parties and may be terminated by either party with 6 (six) months' written notice to the other party. Any notice of termination should be addressed as follows:

if to Simon Fraser University,

Attention:

SFU International, External Relations
Strand Hall 2100, Simon Fraser University
8888 University Drive, Burnaby, B.C. Canada V5A 1S6

if to University of Patras,

Attention:

International Relations Office,
Building A, University Campus,
University of Patras, 26504 Patras
Greece

5. **Counterparts.** This MOU may be executed in any number of counterparts with the same effect as if all parties had all signed the same document. All counterparts will be construed together and will constitute one and the same agreement.

6. **Electronic Transmission.** This MOU or any counterpart may be executed by a party and delivered by facsimile or electronically in portable document format (pdf) and if so executed and delivered this MOU or such counterpart will for all purposes be as effective as if the party had executed and delivered the MOU or a counterpart bearing an original signature.

Each party is signing this Agreement on the date stated opposite that party's signature.


SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY




Prof. Andrew Retter
President & Vice-Chancellor

Sept 9, 2013
Date

UNIVERSITY OF PATRAS



Prof. George Panayiotakis
Rector



16th September 2013
Date