



## MEMORANDUM OF CO-OPERATION

between the

**Higher Education Evaluation and Accreditation Council of Taiwan (HEEACT)**

and the

**Asia-Pacific Quality Network (APQN)**

This Memorandum of Cooperation is made between the **Higher Education Evaluation and Accreditation Council of Taiwan**, 7F., No.179, Sec. 1, Heping East Road, Da-an District, Taipei 10644, Taiwan, hereafter referred to as HEEACT,

and the

**Asia-Pacific Quality Network**, No. 202, South ShaanXi Rd., Shanghai, 200031 P.R. CHINA, hereafter referred to as APQN.

### **Where as**

HEEACT was established on 26 December, 2005 as a non-governmental agency by the Ministry of Education and 153 other higher education institutions in Taiwan. It has conducted higher education quality assurance evaluations to assist the universities and higher education institutions to contribute to society through the pursuit of quality education as well as research.

Asia-Pacific Quality Network (APQN) was established in January 2003, and has been incorporated as non-profit organization in Shanghai. APQN serves the needs of Quality Assurance Agencies in higher education in the Asia-Pacific region. Now APQN has 174 members, including Full members, Intermediate members, Associate members, and Institutional members, from 36 countries/territories in the Asia-Pacific region, and 6 observers from Croatia, Germany, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Thailand, and the United Kingdom.

### **HEEACT and APQN**

This Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) between HEEACT and APQN outlines the mutual objective and plans for future cooperation. This MOC is not intended to create legally binding

relations between the parties, and neither party has the authority to act on behalf of or otherwise bind the other party. However, HEEACT and APQN agree to work together to implement this MOC in good faith.

HEEACT and APQN agree to jointly publish the journal "Higher Education Evaluation and Development (HEED)", formally known as the official English journal of HEEACT.

#### Collaboration Details

1. APQN agrees to fund a total of \$5,000USD for the amount generated by the publisher each year, and HEEACT agrees to fund for the rest of the amount.
2. Names of both parties should appear on the journal as co-publishers.
3. Both parties share common responsibility in appointing advisory board members.
4. Both parties agree to divide the work of journal publication reasonably. HEEACT is responsible for administrative and editorial works. APQN is responsible for marketing in collaboration with the publishing company and promotion to its members.
5. APQN agrees to make HEED the membership journal of APQN.

#### Duration and Alteration

The MOC will take effect from \_\_\_ for a period of three years and shall continue for three years unless it is terminated by the giving of three months' notice by either party, and may be altered at any time with the consent of both parties. It may be extended on mutual agreement of both parties.

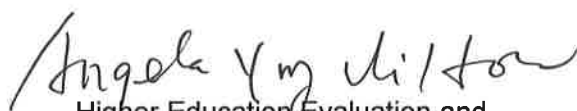
Specific details on any projects or other activities that are entered into under the terms of this MOC shall be negotiated and agreed upon by both parties and will be described in administrative schedules to be annexed to the MOC.

#### Management and liaison arrangements for the Memorandum

The Executive Director of HEEACT and the President of APQN will have responsibility for managing the MOC. This responsibility may be delegated to relevant members of their staff in relation to particular areas of cooperation.

Signature as follows:

**Dr. Angela Yung-Chi Hou**  
**Executive Director, HEEACT**

  
Higher Education Evaluation and  
Accreditation Council of Taiwan  
(HEEACT)

Date: Feb. 14, 2017

**Dr. Jianxin, Zhang,**  
**President, APQN**



Asia-Pacific Quality Network (APQN)

Date: February 10, 2017