

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
TO EXPLORE POSSIBLE FUTURE COLLABORATION FOR SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE
BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI
AND
NATIONAL TAIPEI UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY**

The **School of Architecture, University of Miami** of Coral Gables, Florida, United States of America (hereinafter referred to as UM) and the **College of Design, National Taipei University of Technology**, Taiwan (hereinafter referred to as Taipei Tech) hereby enter into this Memorandum of Understanding to explore possible future collaborative efforts between the school of architecture of the two entities, on this, the 24th day of July, 2018.

I. BACKGROUND: The College of Design at Taipei Tech and School of architecture at UM have both demonstrated excellence in education and research. They see mutual benefits in exploring potential collaborative efforts in the following areas:

1. Architecture, Urban and Landscape History, Theory and Design
2. Urban and Rural Planning
3. Regional Heritage Preservation
4. Sustainable and Resilient Design
5. Smart Cities, and Data Analytics
6. Digital Media and Fabrication
7. Health and the built environment
8. Computation and Embedded Technology

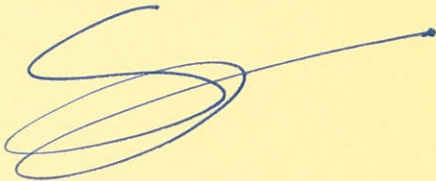
II. VENUES of COLLABORATION to EXPLORE: After the execution of this Memorandum of Understanding, the parties will engage in discussions to explore the parameters and feasibility of the following collaborative efforts:

1. Collaborative International Design Studios
2. Joint Conferences, Lectures and Academic Activities
3. Joint Research Projects and Activities
4. Hosting Visiting Professors and Scholars
5. Student Exchange (Undergraduate and Graduate)
6. Exchange of Scientific and Academic Materials, Publications and Information

The financial aspects of collaborative projects shall be handled on a case by case basis in accordance with applicable norms and regulations in force in both the University and in the host country. The exchange of faculty and scholars, shall be based on an expectation of reciprocity. The exchange of students shall be facilitated by a mutual exemption of tuitions.

- III. DURATION:** The term of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be for five (5) years from the date on which the last party hereto executes the memorandum. The Memorandum of Understanding may be terminated at any time by either Party, with or without cause, with at least ninety (90) days advance written notice of such termination to the other party.
- IV. NON-EXCLUSIVITY:** The parties hereby acknowledge that this Memorandum of Understanding is not exclusive, and that each party may freely contract with any other person, firm or entity concerning the subject matter hereof.
- V. NON-BINDING:** This Memorandum of Understanding is non-binding and is intended only to express the intent of the parties to explore possible avenues of collaboration between the two entities in connection with the UM's desire to establish education, training, and research opportunities with Taipei Tech. Until a subsequent definitive agreement is executed by the both parties setting forth the Parties' respective collaborative efforts, no party shall have any legally binding obligations to any other. Accordingly, this Memorandum of Understanding is not intended to constitute a binding agreement to consummate any transaction or collaborative effort and no party shall have any obligation or liability to any other for expenses or otherwise. Any obligation or liability to be undertaken by any party will require and must be set forth in a separate and subsequent definitive agreement. To be binding on the University of Miami any subsequent definitive agreement must be executed in writing by an authorized representative of the University of Miami.
- VI. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS:** This agreement is subject to the approval of the competent authorities, according to the national laws of each School, and will come into force when the signatures of authorized representatives by both parties (the one of the School of Architecture, University of Miami and that of) are affixed.
- VII. GOVERNING LANGUAGE:** This Memorandum of Understanding has been prepared and signed in the English language, which language shall be controlling in all respects. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the English language version and any translation hereof made for any purpose, the English language version shall govern the interpretation and construction hereof.

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