



**GENERAL INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT
FOR ACADEMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN**

**MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
EAST LANSING, MICHIGAN, U.S.A.**

AND

**SOUTHEAST ASIAN REGIONAL CENTRE FOR TROPICAL BIOLOGY
(SEAMEO BIOTROP)**

INDONESIA

Michigan State University, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, East Lansing, Michigan, USA and Southeast Asian Regional Centre for Tropical Biology (SEAMEO BIOTROP) in Indonesia, establish this General Agreement to foster international cooperation in education and research.

1. Both parties agree to encourage the following activities, in particular to promote international academic cooperation:
 - a) Exchange of materials in education and research, publications, and academic information;
 - b) Exchange of faculty and research scholars;
 - c) Joint research and meetings for education and research;
 - d) Technical assistance;
 - e) Student exchanges (student exchanges require additional forms).

Before these activities can be implemented, both parties shall discuss the problems involved to the satisfaction of each party and enter into specific activity agreements based on the mutually agreed objectives and outcomes of the relationship.

2. This General Agreement shall be applicable to educational and research organizations attached to each party.
3. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties, and all prior discussions, agreements, and understandings, whether verbal or in writing, are merged in this agreement.

4. This Agreement is non-binding and is not considered to be a contract creating legal and financial relationships between the parties. Rather, it is designed to facilitate and develop a genuine and mutually beneficial exchange process for teaching, research and outreach activities.
5. This General Agreement shall become effective as of the date of signatures of both parties ("Effective Date"). This General Agreement shall terminate five (5) years from the Effective Date. The parties intend to review this General Agreement before its termination to evaluate the progress and the quality of the mutual cooperation.
6. This General Agreement may be amended only by the written consent of the parties.
7. This Agreement may be terminated by either party with a minimum of 120 days written notice. Activities in progress at the time of termination of this Agreement shall be permitted to conclude as planned unless otherwise agreed.
8. Both institutions subscribe to a policy of equal opportunity, non-discrimination and affirmative action. University programs, activities and facilities are available to all without regard to race, color, gender, religion, national origin, political persuasion, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, height, weight, veteran status, age or familial status.
9. Each party shall designate a person or office to serve as liaison for implementing this Agreement.

For Michigan State University, the contact person will be Dr. David Douches, Professor; Director of USAID Feed the Future Global Biotech Potato Partnership, Department of Plant, Soil and Microbial Sciences, 1066 Bogue Street, Room 2215, East Lansing, Michigan 48824, Phone: 517.884.6946, Email: douchesd@msu.edu.

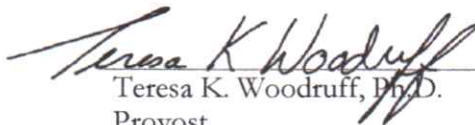
For Southeast Asian Regional Centre for Tropical Biology (SEAMEO BIOTROP), Indonesia, the contact person will be Dr. Zuhamsyah Imran, and Dewi Suryani, Email: gau@biotrop.org; cc: cbd@biotrop.org.

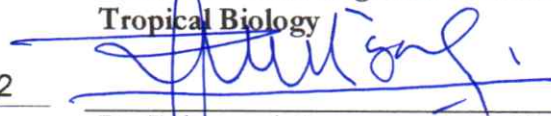
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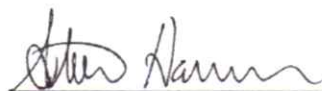
SIGNATORIES FOR THIS AGREEMENT

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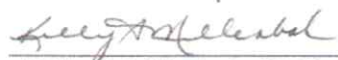

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