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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**BETWEEN**

**INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION GROUP OF BRAZILIAN UNIVERSITIES - GCUB**

**AND**

**FAIRFAX UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA - FXUA**

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Fairfax University of America, represented by its President, and Grupo de Cooperação Internacional de Universidades Brasileiras (GCUB) represented by its Executive Director wish to establish certain cooperative programs that are beneficial to each respective educational institution and to explore cooperation and the sharing of information, improvement of research and education programs, development of joint studies, training activities, and other educational programs of mutual interest.

### **Article 1: Objective**

This MOU is to facilitate all exchanges and cooperative initiatives between the two institutions.

### **Article 2: Cooperation**

The goal of this MOU will be accomplished by working together in various ways which may include:

- Joint Academic Programs
- Joint Research Projects Student Exchange
- Programs Faculty and Student Exchanges
- Exchange of Materials, and Documents
- Collaboration and the Organization of Conferences
- Any other mode of cooperation the parties agree upon.

### **Article 3: Supplemental Agreements**

This MOU will be supplemented by agreements that are specific to each area, and signed by representatives of both institutions. FXUA will not enter into any activity that is not in compliance with its accrediting body ACICS (Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools). There are no guarantees of admission to FXUA associated with this MOU. Both Parties will maintain absolute respect to all regulations, institutional policies, and national legislation when operating under this MOU.

### **Article 4: Financial Obligations**

Each party will bear its own costs for activities undertaken in furtherance of this MOU. All commitments that are made under this MOU are subject to the availability of funding. Nothing in this MOU obligates either party to expend appropriations or enter into a contract, or incur other financial obligations.

### **Article 5: Intellectual Property**

If either institution discovers that an activity pursuant to this agreement results in the creation of intellectual property, or requires the sharing of proprietary information, the parties agree to negotiate a separate agreement to address those issues. Neither party shall construe any part of this MOU as an endorsement of the products or services of the other.

### **Article 6: Term**

All specific projects to which this MOU may lead will be subject to joint and periodic evaluation by the appropriate authorities of both institutions. This MOU will be jointly reviewed and evaluated after five years from its effective date.

### **Article 7: Non-Exclusivity**

This MOU is not intended to result in any legal obligation on the part of FXUA or GCUB. FXUA and GCUB agree that this MOU is entered into on a non-preferential basis, and either institution may undertake similar MOU's with other entities on a non-preferential basis.

### **Article 8: Effective Date**

This MOU will become effective on the date of signing for a period of five years and can be renewed by mutual consent. Either institution has the right to initiate termination of this agreement upon timely notification to the other institution.

*Both institutions are committed to the policy that all persons shall have equal access to programs, facilities, admission, and employment without regard to age, ancestry, color, disability or handicap, national origin, race, religious creed, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status, or any other legally protected group. Fairfax University of America abides by these principles in the administration of this MOU, and neither institution shall impose criteria for the exchange of scholars or students which would violate the principles of non-discrimination.*

The point of contact from Fairfax University of America, responsible for the coordination of the activities specified in this General Agreement, is the Office of the President. All correspondence should be forwarded to the Office of University Relations at [partners@fxua.edu](mailto:partners@fxua.edu). Notifications and communications shall be addressed to the following contacts:

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Address: 4401 Village Drive Fairfax, VA 22030 USA  
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The point of contact from Grupo de Cooperação Internacional de Universidades Brasileiras, responsible for the coordination of the activities specified in this General Agreement is the Executive Board, and the coordinator of them is Professor Rossana Valéria de Souza e Silva. Notifications and communications to the coordinator shall be addressed to the following contacts:

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Dr. Ahmed Alwani  
President  
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ROSSANA VALERIA DE SOUZA E SILVA (Jan 27, 2022 09:46 GMT-3)

Dr. Rossana Valeria de Souza e Silva  
Executive Director  
Grupo de Cooperação Internacional de  
Universidades Brasileira

Witness:  
County of Fairfax  
Commonwealth of Virginia

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 27 day of January 2022 by Dr. Ahmed Alwani & Dr. Rossana Valeria de Souza e Silva.

George Rado

Notary Signature  
Notary Registration Number: 7952460  
My Commission Expires: 7/32/2025

