

# **Memorandum of Understanding between Radboud University Nijmegen, Faculty of Science and the Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte**

To continue to promote understanding and goodwill, to strengthen cultural ties, to broaden student and faculty experience and horizons, Radboud University Nijmegen, Faculty of Science represented by its Dean, Prof. Dr. C.C.A.M. Gielen, and the Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte, represented by its president, Prof. Dr. José Ivonildo do Rêgo, hereby enter into the following Agreement:

## **Article 1**

The contracting Parties will strive to deepen the existing relations in the sphere of scholarly cooperation and to develop new relations on the principle of mutual benefit and full reciprocity.

## **Article 2**

The cooperation will involve the Faculty of Science of Radboud University Nijmegen and the Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte. Detailed three-year-programs of cooperation will be drawn up by the Faculties involved.

## **Article 3**

Both Parties will consider an annual exchange of junior academic staff and/or students based on reciprocity, as well as the annual exchange of senior academic staff. Applications of candidates, including outlines of the program to be carried out abroad, are subject to the approval of the receiving University. Both parties will promote and sponsor joint research projects in areas where their interests correspond.

## **Article 4**

Both Parties will consider the possibility of organizing conferences, symposia, seminars and workshops.

## **Article 5**

Both Parties agree to promote the development of relationships between the Faculty Libraries and to establish a regular exchange of publications by the two Faculties.

## **Article 6**

The Faculties involved of both Universities will review the details of the programs of cooperation and the progress of the cooperation annually.

### Article 7

The Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte and the Faculty of Science of Radboud University Nijmegen agree to undertake joint activities to raise funds for the activities planned. Both Parties will try to use existing financial sources such as bilateral governmental agreements and exchange programs. Both Parties will consider the possibility of a tuition waiver. If so, details should be arranged in the three-year-faculty-programs or an agreement on student exchange.

### Article 8

Any changes and amendments in the text of the said Agreement shall be introduced only in writing and after the prior mutual consent of both Parties. These changes and amendments shall be treated as integral parts of the Agreement.

### Article 9

This Agreement comes into force upon signing and continues in force for a three year period, renewable by explicit agreement. The Agreement can be canceled by either of the Parties with a six-month advance notice or modified at any time by mutual agreement.

For and on behalf of  
Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte  
Natal-RN, Brazil.

  
Prof. Dr. José Wonildo do Rêgo  
President UFRN

30 / 03 / 2011

For and on behalf of  
Radboud University Nijmegen,  
The Netherlands

  
Prof. Dr. C.C.A.M. Gielen  
Dean of the Faculty of Science

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