

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE RUSSIAN FOUNDATION FOR BASIC RESEARCH

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The Department of Science and Technology of the Philippines and the Russian Foundation for Basic Research hereinafter referred to individually as "Participant" and collectively as "Participants", with a view to developing the premises of scientific cooperation between Philippines and Russia, have reached the following understanding:

Paragraph I

The Participants will cooperate to provide researchers from Philippines and Russia with additional opportunities to exchange ideas, information and skills in scientific research and to provide financial support for cooperative activities between Philippines and Russian researchers.

The Participants will, on the basis of equality and mutual benefit, promote and support collaboration between highly qualified Philippine and Russian scientists and engaged in the field of fundamental (basic) research.

Paragraph II

The collaboration will include the following joint and coordinated activities:

- a) Bilateral research projects and scientific events;
- b) Coordinated participation in the international scientific programs and projects;
- c) Other joint activities as may be mutually agreed upon by the Participants.

Specific areas of cooperation between the Participants will be defined in the Addendum to this Memorandum, which will be an integral part of it.

Paragraph III

The representatives of the Participants will meet alternately in Philippines and Russia in order to consider the current situation of the collaboration and to discuss other possibilities for joint activities

Paragraph IV

The number of bilateral research projects to be supported each year will be agreed upon by the Participants and will depend on each Participant's budget appropriations.

Paragraph V

Participating scientists shall observe the laws and regulations of the host country and/ or the rules of scientific organizations in which the projects are implemented.

Paragraph VI

It rests with each Participant to ensure the necessary protection of scientists' and participating Organisations' right on intellectual property resulting from the implementations. Of the joint research projects in accordance with the respective national legislations.

Paragraph VII

Either Participant may at any time propose amendments or modifications to this Memorandum of Understanding, which will take effect upon approval by the other Participant.

Paragraph VIII

This Memorandum will take effect on the date of signing and will remain in force until terminated by either Participant giving six months notice in writing. By terminating this Memorandum, the Participants will execute all their obligations taken in accordance with the Memorandum.

Paragraph IX

This Memorandum of Understanding is made and signed at Moscow on 2 October 2019, in duplicate in English, both having equal validity.

On behalf of the Department of Science
and Technology of the Philippines On behalf of the Russian Foundation
for Basic Research

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