

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

Griffith University, Australia

and

Federal University of Santa Maria, Brazil

Griffith University (ABN 78 106 094 461, CRICOS Provider Number 00233E, TEQSA Provider ID PRV12076), a body corporate established pursuant to the *Griffith University Act 1998 (Qld)* of 170 Kessels Road, Nathan, Brisbane, Queensland 4111 ("Griffith"), Federal University of Santa Maria, Brazil ("UFSM") (individually a party and collectively parties to this Memorandum) believe that mutual benefit can be derived from scholarly interaction, cultural interchange, cooperative research and other forms of academic collaboration.

NOW THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

1. The scope of collaboration on academic and research activities under this MOU may include, but is not limited to the following:
 - (i) Exchange of academic staff members
 - (ii) Collaborative research and possible exchange of academic papers
 - (iii) Mutual assistance in the preparation of seminars, conferences, and workshops
 - (iv) Exchange of academic publication materials or other information
 - (v) Co-operation in training projects for specified areas of development
 - (vi) Opportunities for other forms of co-operation, such as the delivery of degree and short-term or non-degree courses
 - (vii) Co-supervision of HDR (Higher Degree by Research) students to facilitate collaborative research and joint publications
2. The terms of specific areas of cooperation will be further considered and agreed upon in writing by the parties prior to the initiation of any particular activity.
3. Both parties will nominate appropriate people to coordinate the development and implementation of any specific program or activity to be conducted under this MOU. The contact details may be amended as required without affecting the intent and purpose of the MOU as a whole.
4. Any specific program or activity will be subject to availability of funds and approval by both parties.
5. The parties agree that this MOU is not a formal legal agreement giving rise to any legal relationship, rights, duties or consequences, but it is only a definite expression and record of the purpose of the parties to which the parties are bound in honour only.
6. This MOU will remain in effect for a period of five (5) years from the latest date of signature. It may be amended or modified at any time by the mutual consent of the parties. Either party may terminate this MOU by providing six (6) months' written notice to the other party.
7. Both parties agree to take measures to prevent any unauthorised use or disclosure of personal information collected or accessed in connection with this MOU and will have in place documented policies and procedures, which will be regularly reviewed, tested and updated, as appropriate, encompassing the administrative, physical and technical safeguards in place and relevant to the

access, use, loss, alteration, disclosure, storage, destruction and control of information, and to comply with applicable privacy laws.

8. Both parties are committed to acting against exploitation. If either party identifies that exploitation is occurring, or there is a risk it may occur, in an activity associated with any activity pursuant to this MOU, the party must promptly notify the other party in writing of the details of the exploitation, to the extent permitted by law. To the extent it is within their control and permitted by law, either party agree to take reasonable action to address the exploitation or risk of exploitation, including providing the other party with updates of any investigation and copies of relevant policies and procedures relating to addressing the exploitation, upon request. In this clause, exploitation means undermining or depriving a person of their liberty for commercial or personal gain and includes, but is not limited to, human trafficking, slavery, servitude, forced labour (including child labour), debt bondage, deceptive recruiting for labour or services, sexual exploitation, sexual abuse, or sexual harassment.
9. Delivery by electronic transmission in portable document format (PDF) of this executed agreement is as effective as delivery of an originally executed agreement.

SIGNED for and on behalf of

Griffith University by:

Heidi Piper

Heidi Piper

Vice President (Global) (Acting)

Date **07/02/2025**

Witnessed by:


Professor Matthew Currell
Discipline Head (Civil and Environmental Engineering)

Date

Federal University of Santa Maria by:

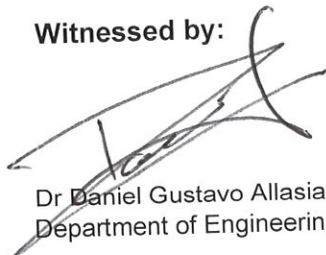


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