

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

ON

THE FOUNDATION OF
THE TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY INSTITUTE IN CAMBODIA

BETWEEN

THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM OF THE KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA

AND

THE RAJAMANGALA UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY
THANYABURI
OF THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND

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PREAMBLE

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into by and between THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM OF THE KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA (hereinafter referred to as "MOT"), represented by the Minister of Tourism, and THE RAJAMANGALA UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY THANYABURI OF THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND (hereinafter referred to as "RMUTT"), represented by President, collectively hereinafter referred to as "the Parties".

RECOGNIZING:

- The Parties are desirous to enhance the bilateral cooperation and strengthen the ties of the existing friendship between the two countries, realizing the importance of tourism sector in encouraging the socio-economic development of the region and the world, employment generation and mutual interests on equal grounds;
- The importance of tourism in the enhancement of knowledge and understanding between people of both countries is an essential element, thereby building the relationship and the practical values of the Parties such as sharing the benefits of the partnership, the supply and demand sources of the tourism market;

In consideration of each of the Parties entering into this MOU and accepting the terms contained herein, each of the Parties hereby AGREE as follows:

ARTICLE I

GENERAL PROVISION

The Parties shall seek, in accordance with the existing laws, rules and regulations in each country, to institutionalize successful bilateral cooperation in the foundation of the Tourism and Hospitality Institute in Cambodia.

ARTICLE II

OBJECTIVES OF COOPERATION

The purpose of this MOU is to set out the Parties' objectives as follows:

- (a) To establish the Tourism and Hospitality Institute in Cambodia;
- (b) To discuss, identify, and explore further other opportunities for tourism development and investments;
- (c) To strengthen the long term cooperative partnership.

ARTICLE III

AREAS OF COOPERATION

Both Parties shall co-operate with each other and work together in respect of the followings:

- (1)- MOT welcomes RMUTT to establish the Tourism and Hospitality Institute in Cambodia in order to develop human resource in tourism, contributing to developing tourism with quality and standard in a sustainable and responsible manner.
- (2)- RMUTT will maximize its strengths in branding, human resources, capital and professional advantages, and business partners, in order for successful establishment of the Tourism and Hospitality Institute, as the following steps:

- Phase 1: Feasibility study on the establishment of the Tourism and Hospitality Institute
 - Phase 2: Developing a working plan including but not limited to:
 - a) Objectives and activities
 - b) Location and construction of the institution
 - c) Proposed structure
 - d) Corporate and organisation structure
 - e) Funding
 - f) Personnel.
 - Phase 3: Present the Working Plan to both Parties for consideration
 - Phase 4: Upon completion and consideration of the Working Plan, the Parties will discuss and agree necessary next steps to implement the Working Plan and to enable their mutual objectives to be realised, which may include approval of the Working Plan by both Parties, and negotiation and agreement on any additional documents required to pursue a collaboration in accordance with the Working Plan or as may be otherwise agreed.
- (3) MOT will facilitate RMUTT to get detailed information related to the process of the feasibility study for the establishment of the Tourism and Hospitality Institute in Cambodia.
- (4) RMUTT will work closely with MOT to discuss and identify the possibilities and opportunities for the potential areas of tourism development and investment, in particular the tourism professional development.
- (5) In order to build up the long-term cooperative partnership, the Parties will conduct a regular exchange programs and trainings for the Parties' personnel.
- (6) Based on its branding and professionalism, RMUTT will provide scholarships for 2 officials from MOT to pursue their higher education at RMUTT and provide 10 scholarships for training course in Cambodia per year for a period of 2 years, then review every 2 years.
- (7) The Parties agree to establish a working group for facilitating and supporting the implementation of this MOU in an efficient and effective manner.

ARTICLE IV AMENDMENTS

Any written amendments to this MOU shall be attached by mutual agreement and approval, and signed by both parties after due consideration.

ARTICLE V VALIDITY

This MOU shall be effective from the date of signature by representatives of each of the Parties for a period of TWO YEARS, at which time it will be automatically renewed for the similar period, or periods unless either party notifies the other in writing of its intention to terminate the MOU at least three months in advance before the inquiry.

**ARTICLE VI
TERMINATION**

Any party may terminate the MOU with immediate effect by providing prior written notice of at least three months before the inquiry to the other Parties and the MOU will be terminated one week following dispatch of such notice.

The provisions of this MOU shall not limit the right of each Party to adopt or implement measures to protect the essential security interests of themselves or public health, or environmental protection, living and working in the collaborative process.

**ARTICLE VII
SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES**

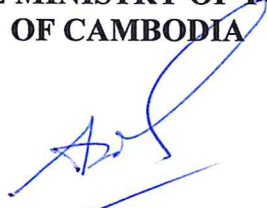
Any dispute between both parties as to the interpretation or application of, or compliance with, this MOU or any protocol thereto, shall be settled amicably by consultation and negotiation prior to seeking for the existing legal procedure settlement.

**ARTICLE VIII
FINAL PROVISION**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned are the supreme legal representatives of each party signed this Memorandum.

DONE at Phnom Penh, the Kingdom of Cambodia on March 07, 2017, in two originals both in English.

**FOR THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM
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