

# **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**BETWEEN**

**MILITARY UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY, WARSAW,  
POLAND**

**AND**

**ST. PETERSBURG NATIONAL RESEARCH UNIVERSITY OF  
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES, MECHANICS AND OPTICS  
ST. PETERSBURG  
RUSSIA**

In order to enhance the educational and research capabilities of Military University of Technology (MUT) and St. Petersburg National Research University of Information Technologies, Mechanics and Optics (ITMO), it is proposed that collaborations and exchanges be initiated in fields of optics, laser techniques, material science, information and communication technology, and other allied fields as may become beneficial. The programs to be initiated through this agreement are based on a spirit of cooperation and reciprocity and will be of mutual benefit to both parties. The agreement is intended as the starting point for collaboration to exploit the complementary nature of the strengths of research, teaching and enterprise, and shall focus primarily on joint research and educational programs and research contacts, as well as on student and faculty exchanges. It is envisaged that each institution will manage its own costs and will seek to share the benefits gained through this cooperation.

## **GENERAL AREAS OF AGREEMENT**

1. Both institutions agree to academic exchanges in various areas of education, research, and innovation.
2. Both institutions will make every effort to exchange faculty, scholars, and students, as well as educational, research, and extension materials appropriate to the areas of collaboration.

3. Specific details of exchanges noted above will be negotiated subject to the approval of each institution.
4. Both institutions agree to respect each other's rights to intellectual property. All intellectual property used in connection with any collaborative activity shall remain the property of the institution introducing such intellectual property.
5. Both institutions shall have property rights in any intellectual property jointly developed under this MOU (including but not limited to knowhow, patents, copyrights, design rights, rights relating to computer software, data, and any other intellectual property rights).
6. Specific intellectual property rights which are created in the further development of and/or performance of any collaborative activity shall be determined by the terms of specific research agreements negotiated by the parties. The parties will endeavor to reach an agreement regarding intellectual property rights prior to the creation of the intellectual property.
7. Subject to the governing law of each institutions' jurisdiction regarding public records, the institutions agree not to use or disclose to anyone information belonging to the other party which is disclosed in connection with this MoU which is of confidential nature and agree not to make any announcements of any nature in respect of this MoU without the consent of the other party hereto.

## **SPECIFIC AREAS OF COLLABORATION**

### **1. Research Collaboration**

Joint research programs will be developed, which will lead to joint research projects, joint publications, and faculty and graduate student exchanges. Traveling and accommodation expenses for exchanges or visits involving faculty will be the responsibility of the University, or Faculty or Department of that University, whose staff are undertaking the exchange or visit. The initial funding for research, faculty exchange and graduate student research projects will be the responsibility of each institution, but the parties will endeavor to develop joint funding