

**AQUACULTURE & FISHERIES CRSP
SAMPLE MOU I**

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between Institute A and Institute B

(hereinafter referred to as the “parties”)

WHEREAS, the parties desire to reach an understanding for joint participation in a Title XII Collaborative Research Support Program (CRSP) in Aquaculture & Fisheries funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and participating institutions, and

WHEREAS, Institute B has entered into a subcontractual agreement with Oregon State University (OSU), the Management Entity for the CRSP, whereby Institute B will implement and operate a CRSP Project with Institute A, and

WHEREAS, the parties recognize the mutual benefits to be derived from jointly participating in the CRSP as a means of expanding and improving the knowledge, understanding, opportunities and capabilities of fishery production through aquaculture,

Now, therefore, the parties do hereby record their understanding as follows:

Article I – Purpose:

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to record that the parties agree to participate in a collaborative research program in aquaculture and fisheries. Consummation of an administrative agreement between Institute A and Institute B is a requirement of the agreement between Institute B and OSU, and OSU can not pay reimbursement to Institute B for work conducted at Institute A in the absence of such an agreement.

Article II – Elements of the Agreement:

- A. Institute A will be the lead US institution for the period of this MOU, but other CRSP institutions may actively cooperate with Institute A and Institute B, both at the project site and in the region. Any necessary agreements between Institute B and other CRSP institutions will be defined in documents separate from this MOU.
- B. The research areas to be addressed under this agreement, as determined jointly by scientists representing Institute A and the CRSP are in-depth studies of the physical, chemical and biological processes regulating the productivity of pond culture systems.
- C. Experiments conducted under this program will be designed and evaluated

- by teams composed of selected scientists from participating U.S. universities, as well as scientists designated by Institute A and other participating non-U.S. institutions. U.S. and Institute A project scientists will have access to data, make joint efforts on reports and share authorship as appropriate for publications resulting from CRSP work.
- D. Experiments conducted under this program will be jointly accomplished by qualified research scientists employed by the counterpart U.S. institutions in cooperation with Institute A personnel. Institute B project scientists will coordinate logistics, including personnel, equipment and supplies, in cooperation with Institute A scientists.
 - E. In the event of a need to change either U.S. or Institute A personnel, the project Principal Investigator from either the U.S. university or Institute A may initiate action and finalize it in consultation with the counterpart Principal Investigator, seeking final approval from the CRSP Director.
 - F. CRSP management may visit Institute A at any time to observe research activities funded under the CRSP.
 - G. Contingent only upon available funding from USAID, participating U.S. universities will provide:
 - (1) USAID-approved travel reimbursement to allow Institute A personnel to attend meetings with collaborators, subject to approval by the CRSP Director and Institute B P.I., and to travel in country for project purposes.
 - (2) Such laboratory equipment, computer facilities and supplies as may be required for successful completion of the experiments, which are not presently available for the project at Institute A.
 - (3) Funds for renovation and maintenance of CRSP ponds and laboratory, project utility consumption, communication, publication and other support services.
 - (4) Salary and allowance for biologists and technicians directly hired through Institute A for work on CRSP.
 - (5) Release time, when possible, for U.S. scientists to participate in the Institute A aquaculture program.
 - H. In support of these research activities, the Institute A will provide:
 - (1) Ponds, laboratory space and related infrastructure.
 - (2) Release time of Institute A scientists for participating in CRSP research.
 - (3) Technician support to assist in CRSP research.

