



### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

#### Between

## TAMPERE UNIVERSITY (TAU)

## **Faculty of Social Sciences**

And

# TEHRAN UNIVERSITY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES (TUMS)

School of Public Health

Dated MAY 21st, 2019

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING is made on [MAY 17th, 2019] ("Effective Date") by and between Tampere University (TAU) a university organized and existing under the laws of Finland, and School of Public Health-TEHRAN UNIVERSITY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES (TUMS), a public registered university in Tehran, I. R. Iran, organized and existing under the laws of Iran, (hereinafter referred together to as the "Parties").

Recognizing the mutual interest and benefits in strengthening cooperation within a framework of friendship and in pursuance of their desire to cooperate in defined areas, the Parties have reached the following understanding:

- 1. Both Parties agree to encourage and promote cooperation in the field of health, in particular on public health, global health and health in other policies and social development in research and education, including for example:
  - a) exchange of students and staff members
  - b) joint development of study programs
  - c) development of mutual research programs
  - d) exchange of information, documentation and material where appropriate
  - e) coordination through their respective offices in joint projects
  - f) transnational education
- 2. The form and cost for individual activities of cooperation under this MOU shall be agreed upon by both Parties under separate agreements.

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- 3. Both Parties shall endeavor to facilitate all formalities in connection with the preparation, negotiation and implementation of activities within the framework of this MOU and shall maintain close and direct contact.
- 4. Neither party hereto shall have any legal obligation to the other party with respect to any matter referred to in this MOU, unless and until a separate written formal agreement implementing the principles herein specified has been executed by duly authorized representatives of the Parties hereto.
- 5. The Parties do not expect or anticipate that under this MOU there will be a need to share or send any information that is considered confidential or proprietary and therefore agree that no such information will be exchanged. If this expectation changes, the Parties shall enter into a separate written non-disclosure agreement.
- The institutions will designate a contact person to implement the MOU in a systematic manner.

For Tampere University the contact person is Dr. Meri Koivusalo (MD PhD), Professor of Global Health and Development.

For SPH-TUMS, the contact person is Dr. Amirhossein Takian (MD PhD), Vice Dean for International Affairs.

- 7. Except as otherwise expressly provided in the formal agreement mentioned above, any and all costs and expenses incurred by any party hereto in connection with the preparation and negotiation of this MOU shall be borne by said Party.
- 8. This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect on the Effective Date and will continue a period of three years, thereafter this MOU may be extended for a further period, as agreed by the Parties.
- 9. Either Party may at any time terminate this MOU by giving the other Party a 30 days' advance written notice.

This MOU has been executed in two (2) identical copies, one for each party, the date and year above written.

SIGNED IN TAMPERE, FINLAND

Date: 21 May 2019

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Prof. Ali AkbariSari

Dean

School of Public Health, Tehran University of Medical Sciences

Faculty of Social Sciences, Tampere

University