

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE WORLD
METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION (WMO) AND THE UNIVERSITAT ROVIRA
I VIRGILI (TARRAGONA, SPAIN)**

The World Meteorological Organization (herein referred to as WMO) and the Universitat Rovira I Virgili (herein referred to as URV)

CONSIDERING that the purposes of WMO are to facilitate worldwide cooperation in meteorological services and observations; promote the rapid exchange of meteorological information, standardization of meteorological observations and uniform publication of its members data and statistics; further the application of meteorology to aviation, shipping, water problems, agriculture and other human activities; promote operational hydrology; and encourage research and training in meteorology;

CONSIDERING that URV is an institution dedicated to providing the public service of higher education and research by means of teaching, research and university extension activities. The URV's activities include, among others, studies aimed at climate change analysis and evaluation.

1. OBJECTIVE OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

- 1.1 The Parties will collaborate in areas of common interest by establishing agreements and assigning resources whenever necessary in the domain of meteorology, climatology and related data sets and knowledge development.
- 1.2 The Parties will carry out activities as per above by establishing specific agreements as opportunities arise.
- 1.3 The Parties agree to use established mechanisms to exchange information regarding the activities of common interest that each one carries out.
- 1.4 The Parties may designate focal points for agreements to carry out specific projects and activities.

2. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Any dispute between the Parties arising out of the interpretation or execution of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled by mutual agreement. If the Parties are unable to reach agreement on any question in dispute or on a mode of settlement other than arbitration, either Party shall have the right to request arbitration in accordance with the Arbitration Rules of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL), as at present in force. The

Parties agree to be bound by any arbitration award rendered in accordance with above, as the final adjudication of any such dispute.

3. IMPLEMENTATION, ENTRY INTO FORCE, AMENDMENTS, TERMINATION AND DURATION OF THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

- 3.1 This Memorandum of Understanding will be valid for an initial period of four years from 1 December 2016 to 31 November 2020 and can be renewed for a period of four successive years by mutual agreement of the parties, through an addendum after an overall assessment, discussed at least one year before the expiry date.
- 3.2 This Memorandum of Understanding will take effect upon its signature by the Parties. Either Party may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding by giving six months notice in writing to the other Party, establishing the time needed to complete all the cooperation activities under way
- 3.3 This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by joint agreement following a written proposal from either of the Parties. Amendments will take effect three months after the date of notification of the consent of the Parties

4. PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION

Data confidentiality and the handling of information are covered by the legislation on personal data protection. Both parties agree to respect the legislation on personal data protection for all matters where this legislation is applicable to the information that is the object of this agreement.

5. STATUS OF WMO

Nothing in or related to this Memorandum of Understanding shall be deemed a waiver, express or implied, of any of the privileges or immunities of the WMO.

Tarragona, 27 October 2016

For the World Meteorological organization

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