

Memorandum of Understanding between the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT) and the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States (TECRO) on the Creation of a AIT-TECRO Global Cooperation and Training Framework (GCTF)

The American Institute in Taiwan (“AIT”) and the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States (“TECRO”) (collectively referred to as the “Participants”),

Acknowledging the excellent state of economic, cultural, and other relations between the people in the territories of the authorities they represent;

Recognizing the democratic, economic, and cultural development of the people on Taiwan as a source of inspiration for other peoples in Asia and beyond; and

Recognizing the success of cooperative efforts between the authorities represented by the Participants aimed at countering global epidemics and lessening the humanitarian disaster, as well as advancing environmental goals and energy initiatives;

Have reached the following understandings:

Section 1

The Participants have decided to cooperate in training individuals from outside their territories and providing other services outside of their territories under an initiative called the Global Cooperation and Training Framework (“GCTF”).

Section 2

Under the GCTF, the Participants jointly determine the attendees for GCTF training courses and the beneficiaries of other joint activities. The attendees can be nominated by their respective governments, by AIT, or by TECRO. The Participants jointly approve all attendees and/or beneficiaries.

Section 3

The areas of training for the GCTF training courses are decided jointly by the Participants. Initial areas of mutual interest for the program's initiation include global health, humanitarian assistance/disaster relief activities, energy, science and technology, and human security issues. Other areas as mutually decided upon may also be introduced by the Participants.

Section 4

The training courses and other activities may take place in the territory of the authorities represented by AIT, the territory of the authorities represented by TECRO, or in another location as mutually determined by the Participants. The details and training arrangements will be mutually determined by the Participants.

Section 5

Precise funding arrangements are jointly determined on a project-by-project basis, after consultation between the Participants, in accordance with the respective laws and regulations applicable in the territories of the authorities they represent, and subject to the availability of funds.

Section 6

The Participants intend to form a Joint Committee to meet at least once annually, and more frequently if required, to decide on the areas of training and other activities for the GCTF, the number of activities to be conducted each year, and other issues related to the program.

Section 7

The GCTF commences on the date this Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is signed. Each Participant should provide adequate advance notice of its intent to discontinue its participation in the GCTF.

Section 8

The Participants intend to resolve any dispute arising out of or in connection with the GCTF through mutual consultation.

Section 9

This MOU may be modified at any time through mutual consultation of the Participants.

Signed in Taipei, in duplicate, on this first day of June, 2015.

For the American Institute
in Taiwan (AIT)

For the Taipei Economic and
Cultural Representative
Office in the United States
(TECRO)

