

**Memorandum of Understanding
between
the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
concerning the Newton Fund
(UK- Brazil Research and Innovation Partnership)
and
The National Council for the State Funding Agencies - CONFAP and the State
Funding Agencies - FAPs**

The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the National Council for the State Funding Agencies – CONFAP and the State Funding Agencies (hereinafter referred to as “the Participants”), seeking to build on the existing friendly and co-operative relationship between the two countries, and specifically to encourage and support increased capacity in Brazil in the area of research and innovation,

Have reached the following understanding:

**SECTION 1
Objective**

The Primary Objective of the collaboration under this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) will be to support the research and innovation capacity of Brazil for their long term sustainable growth.

This will provide an important framework towards promoting increased research and innovation collaboration supporting long-term, sustainable partnerships and contribute to economic growth and the tackling of major challenges faced by Brazil.

Collaboration under this MOU will build on existing UK and Brazil agreements and initiatives on science, research and innovation agreements. It will not preclude other bilateral or multilateral cooperation activities in research and innovation in which each Participant may take part.

**SECTION 2
Areas and Forms of Collaborative Activities**

The Participants through this collaboration will support research based on scientific excellence, in areas that make the maximum contribution to Brazil’s economic development. These could range from fundamental research through to application across the sciences and engineering.

Through the Governance process, we would explore with UK and Brazil partners which areas the fund would focus on. They are likely to include:

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- *Neglected Diseases*
- *Cities and Urban Transformations*
- *Bio-economy*
- *Food Security*

These areas have been identified by the Brazilian partners, however, the collaboration is not limited to above, and the agreement provides scope for collaboration under all fields of knowledge.

Forms of collaborative activities under this MOU would expect to include:

- Joint talent schemes, including student and researcher fellowships and mobility schemes, allowing two way exchange of personnel;
- Fundamental and applied research innovation partnerships and joint centres;
- Visible and high profile collaborative joint research – opportunities for research at all levels including fundamental science and research, thematic and challenge led projects and programmes, and innovation orientated research.

SECTION 3

Executing Authorities

The Executing Authorities for the purposes of this MOU will be CONFAP and FAPs on behalf of Brazil and the Department of Business, Innovation and Skills on behalf of the United Kingdom.

SECTION 4

Other Entities

The Participants will encourage and facilitate, where appropriate, the development of direct contact between policy makers in government, government agencies, research organisations, higher education institutions, companies and enterprises.

This MoU provides the opportunity for FAPs to join the Newton Fund scheme through the creation of an addendum, according to interest and availability of funds.

SECTION 5

Funding and Resources

The collaborative activities carried out under this MOU will be supported by joint funding for the Newton Fund Research and Innovation Partnership worth at least £ 3 million per year over 3 years, this initial amount can be enlarged upon the participants' willingness and mutual agreement on further projects to be funded.

The governance of the provision of the funding will be agreed prior to the operational commencement of the collaboration activities in Brazil.

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SECTION 6

Duration, Effective Date and Termination

This MOU will come into effect on the date of its signature by the Participants and will remain valid for a period of 3 years. However, it may be terminated earlier by one Participant giving the other Participant a written notice at least 90 days before the date of termination.

The termination of the MOU will not affect unfinished co-operation activities unless otherwise decided by the Participants.

This MOU may be amended with the mutual written consent of the Participants.

All issues in connection with the application of this MOU will be examined jointly by the Participants. Any disputes concerning the interpretation or application of this MOU will be settled exclusively by diplomatic means between the Participants.

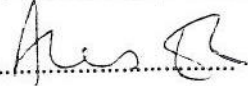
This MOU is a statement of political intent, but is not intended as a legally binding document and does not create legal obligations under international law.

The foregoing represents the understanding reached between the Participants on the matters referred to in this MOU.

Signed in duplicate in São Paulo, on the 9th April 2014 in the English and *Portuguese*, both texts having equal validity.

For Government of the United Kingdom
of Great Britain and Northern Ireland


Alex Ellis
Her Majesty's Ambassador to Brazil

Signature 

Date

For the National Council of the State
Funding Agencies (CONFAP)

Sergio Luiz Gargioni
President


Signature 

Date



The State Funding Agency of Santa Catarina (FAPESC)

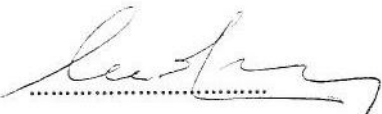
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The São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP)

Prof. Celso Lafer
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General Director

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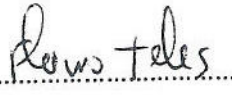
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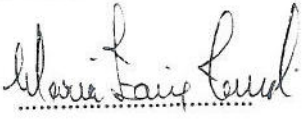
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~~Diogo Ardaillon Simões~~
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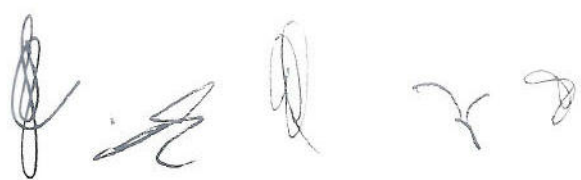
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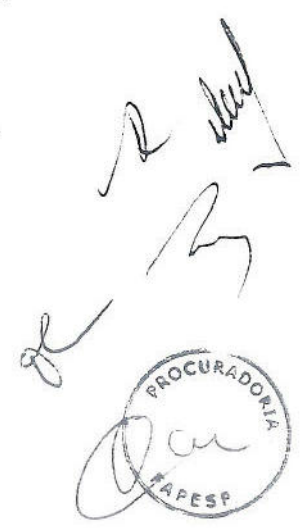
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Mario Neto Borges
President

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The State Funding Agency of Rio de Janeiro (FAPERJ)

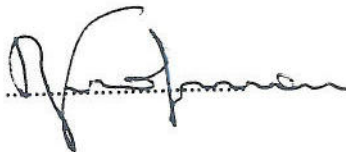
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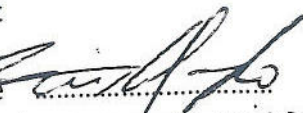
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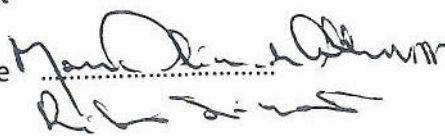
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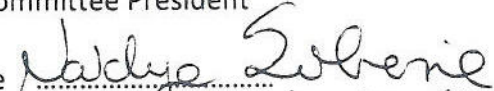
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The State Funding Agency of Rio Grande do Sul (FAPERGS)

Hélio Leães Hey
Higher Committee President

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Date

The State Funding Agency of Acre (FAPAC)

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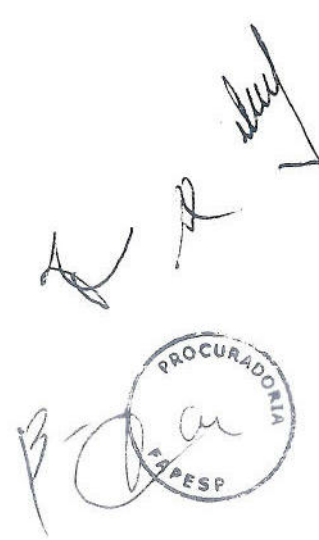
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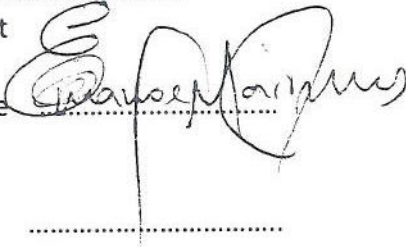
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Emanuel Marcio Nunes
President

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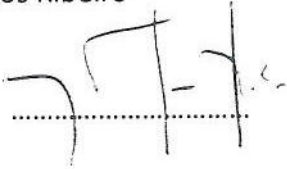
Anilton Salles Garcia
President Director

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Cláudio Benedito Silva Furtado
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State Agency to support Research and Technological Innovation of Sergipe (FAPITEC)

José Ricardo de Santana
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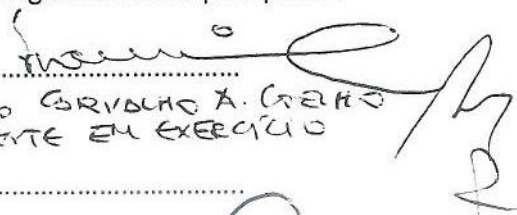
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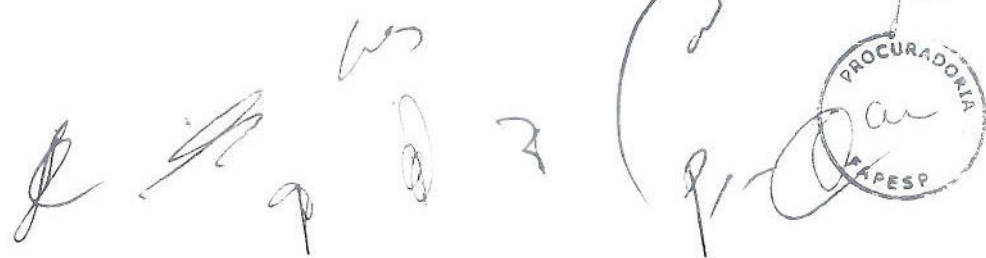
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The State of Ceará Foundation to support the Development of Science and Technology (FUNCAP)

Haroldo Rodrigues de Albuquerque Jr.

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The State of Mato Grosso do Sul
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Marcelo Augusto Santos Turine
President

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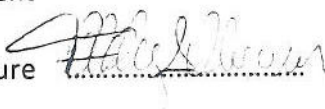
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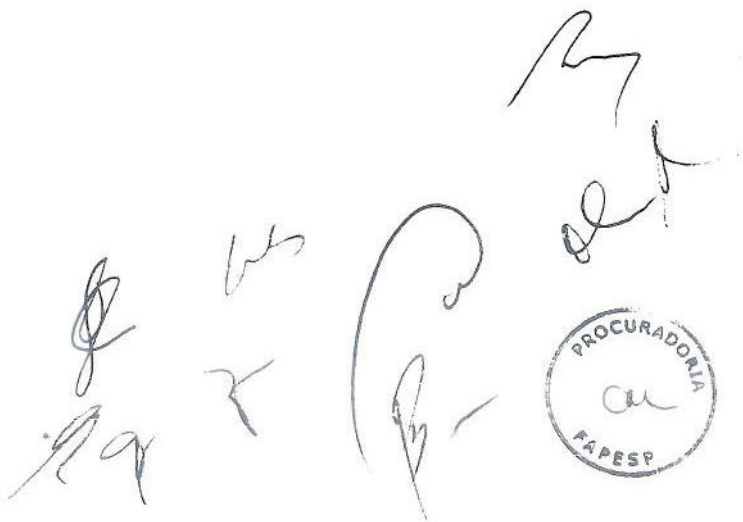
Francisco Elder Souza de Oliveira
President

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