



## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

In order to promote co-operation between *Tomsk Polytechnic University, Tomsk, Russia*, and the *Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*, the two institutions agree as follows:

Both institutions will encourage direct contact and co-operation between their faculty and administrative staffs, departments and research institutions and other research units.

Opportunities for the following general forms of co-operation will be explored ("the Purpose"):

- Student exchange;
- Joint research activities;
- Joint teaching and development of new degree and training programs;
- Visits by and exchange of staff and graduate students for research, teaching and discussions;
- Exchange of information including, but not limited to, exchange of library materials and research publications.

Details for the implementation of these activities will be developed mutually for specific projects.

Both parties understand that all financial arrangements will have to be negotiated and will depend on the availability of funds. Each party shall be responsible for and bear all of its own costs, risks and liabilities arising out of its obligations and efforts in accordance with the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). This MoU is not intended to create any obligation for which in case of breach any damage may be sought by or awarded to either party.

The parties intend to co-operate in good faith to achieve the Purpose. This does not create any legally binding rights or obligations but reflects the intentions of the parties to work together in good faith to promote and monitor the agreed Purpose. Individual contracts may be developed to enable the delivery of the agreed Purpose.

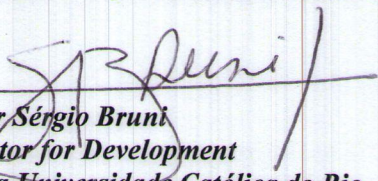
This MoU is not intended to be and shall not be construed to create or give effect to a joint venture, association, partnership or other business organisation or agency arrangement and neither Party shall have the authority under this MoU to bind the other one without the prior written approval of the other Party.



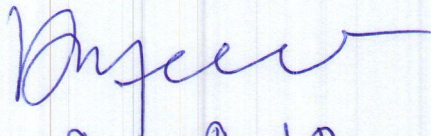
Following agreement, this MoU shall be reviewed after five years and shall, subject to mutual agreement to renew, terminate after five years. If this MoU remains dormant for three consecutive years it shall be deemed to have lapsed.

Either party may terminate the MoU at any time by mutual consent or by nine months' notice in writing.

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**Date:**

  
Aug. 29, 2012.

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