
Memorandum of Understanding

Memorandum of Understanding on Research and Innovation Between Wallonie-Bruxelles International (WBI) and The Ministry of Science and Technology of China (MOST)- Department of International Cooperation

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) sets for the terms and understanding between the Wallonie-Bruxelles International (WBI) and The Ministry of Science and Technology of China (MOST)- Department of International Cooperation to broaden new areas of research and submit the overall budget for all the projects.

Background

The 3rd session of the Mixed Commission was held in Brussels on March 13, 2013 implementing a Memorandum of Understanding between The Ministry of Science and Technology of China (MOST) – department International Science Cooperation – and the Ministry of the Walloon Region - Directorate General of Technology, Research and Energy on cooperation in the field of research and industrial development.

Section 1

- The purpose of this MoU is to continue to develop and expand a framework of cooperation between Wallonie-Bruxelles International (WBI) and The Ministry of Science and Technology of China (MOST)- Department of International Cooperation to develop mutually beneficial projects activities for a period of three years (2017-2019).
- It precedes the holding of the 4th permanent Mixed Commission which will be held in 2017.

Section 2

The above goals will be accomplished by undertaking projects in the following areas of research:

- Biotechnologies
- ICT and microelectronics
- Space and aeronautics
- Materials science and nanotechnology
- Agronomic sciences

Section 3

The implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) will be supported by a joint Wallonie-Bruxelles International (WBI) and The Ministry of Science and Technology of China (MOST) - Department of International

Cooperation partnership fund. The Chinese will provide approximately 10.000.000 RMB to the fund, duration of 3 years and the WBI will be redeemed to an amount maximum of 150.000 Euros of the 3 years prior to the MoU for the mobility costs (15%). The other costs including operating costs, research and equipment expenses (85%) are covered by other funding organizations from Wallonia-Brussels Federation, namely:

- The Universities and University Colleges of Wallonia-Brussels
- The Government of the Wallonia-Brussels Federation
- The National Fund for Scientific Research (FNRS)
- The Walloon Ministry for Economy and Research
- The Government of Wallonia
- The European Union

Section 4

Intellectual property rights (IPR) of research findings under this MoU will be negotiated and settled among the projects contractors upon mutual consent and with regards to national laws and international commitments.

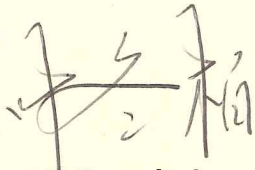
Section 5

This MoU is at-will and may be modified by mutual consent of authorized officials from both Parties. This MoU shall become effective upon signature by the authorized officials from the Parties and will be an integral part of the minutes of the 4th permanent Mixed Commission.

Section 6

This Memorandum of Understanding is signed on March 30 in Brussels in duplicates in the Chinese and English languages, both texts being equally valid.

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