## International Articulation Agreement Between

## Department of Information Management, National Sun Yat-sen University And

International Master's Program in Informatics, Johannes Kepler University

Department of Information Management at National Sun Yat-sen University ("NSYSU-IM"), an institution of higher education located in Kaohsiung, Taiwan, and International Master's Program in Informatics at Johannes Kepler University ("JKU-MI"), an institution of higher education located in Linz, Austria, enter into this Articulation Agreement ("Agreement") as of the date of the last signature below.

WHEREAS, NSYSU-IM and JKU-MI recognize the benefits of cooperation regarding their respective educational programs; and NSYSU-IM and JKU-MI desire to create an agreement that will allow NSYSU-IM students to receive credits from and complete the Masters of Science in Informatics degree at JKU.

THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Program Requirements.</u> NSYSU-IM students interested in completing the International Master's Program Informatics at JKU must apply to, and be admitted by JKU into JKU's International Master's Program in Informatics. Applicants from NSYSU-IM will be considered for admission to JKU-MI based upon JKU's criteria for graduate admission as such criteria is revised from time-to-time; completion of coursework at NSYSU-IM does not guarantee admission to JKU-MI.
- 2. JKU International Master's Program in Informatics. Students enrolled in JKU-MI must:
  - a. Satisfy all of JKU's requirements for progression, retention and graduation for the International Master's Program in Informatics as stated in the applicable JKU catalogue(s) when the student is admitted to JKU-MI; and
  - b. Comply with JKU's academic requirements, policies, codes, ordinances and regulations while attending JKU.
  - c. Pay necessary tuition and fees to both institutions in accordance with relevant regulations of the two universities.

- 3. <u>Transfer of Credits.</u> NSYSU-IM will accept a transfer of up to 12 credits from JKU-MI courses, in which a student earned a grade of 4 (or the equivalent of a 5-point scale in any grading scale other than a 5-point scale) or better. NSYSU-IM will not accept the transfer of credits from a JKU-MI course if the student retakes the equivalent course at NSYSU.
- 4. <u>Thesis.</u> Both NSYSU-IM and JKU-MI require theses for partial fulfillment of the respective degrees. Students who are interested in completing both degrees should submit two separate theses.
- 5. <u>Terms.</u> This Agreement will be effective starting 2013 Fall term at JKU and will remain in effect until terminated as provided in this paragraph. Either institution may terminate this Agreement at any time without any cause with one-hundred-and-eighty- (180) calendar day's prior written notice to the other party. Students participating in the Program prior to the effective termination date will be allowed to complete the Program under the terms of this Agreement. Nothing in this provision shall be interpreted to alter JKU's obligations and/or rights regarding the awarding/granting of scholarships discussed below.
- 6. <u>Scholarships.</u> NSYSU-IM students will be assessed and highly qualified students will be provided scholarships or tuition waiver. Scholar awards are contingent upon recipients maintaining good academic standing while at JKU-MI.

## 7. Other Matters;

- a. This Agreement and the recitals contain the entire agreement between the parties. No amendment to this Agreement will be effective unless it is in writing and signed by both parties' authorized representatives.
- b. NSYSU-IM students must abide by JKU's ordinances, rules, policies and procedures. Any failures to abide by these rules, policies or procedures may result in disciplinary action, including expulsion from JKU.
- c. NSYSU-IM students will be solely responsible for obtaining proper authorization to enter Austria to participate in the Program.
- d. NSYSU-IM students must have and maintain health and accident insurance acceptable to JKU prior to and during the entire period of their stay at JKU.
- e. JKU-MI will make reasonable efforts to provide university housing for incoming students, at the students' sole cost and expense, consistent with its Housing policies and

procedures.

f. This Agreement is for the sole and exclusive benefit of the parties, and neither party intends to create a benefit in favor of any other person, entity or third party, including, without limitation, any student.

In witness of the above, the Agreement is to be executed in two identical copies; both in English, by authorized representatives of both institutions, and each party will retain one copy.

Johannes Kepler University:

Bruno Buchberger

Director, International Program Informatics

Dated:

National Sun Yat-sen University:

San-Yih Hwang

Chair, Department of Inf. Management

Dated: