## GENERAL AGREEMENT TO DEVELOP THE INTERNATIONAL CONSORTIUM FOR EARTH AND DEVELOPMENT SCIENCES

GRAM BANGLA at 214/1 Elephant Road Dhaka-1205, Bangladesh, and KAGAWA UNIVERSITY at 1-1 Saiwai-cho, Takamatsu, Kagawa 760-8522, Japan, hereby agree further develop the INTERNATIONAL CONSORTIUM FOR EARTH AND DEVELOPMENT SCIENCES (ICEDS) to build on the research collaboration based on the "General Agreement to Establish the International Consortium for Earth and Development Sciences" (hereinafter, "General Agreement 2010") dated 16 February 2010.

- 1. GRAM BANGLA and KAGAWA UNIVERSITY agree to the International Consortium for Earth and Development Sciences Bylaws (hereinafter, "Bylaws"), which shall serve as the governing rules for current and new members of ICEDS as of the date on which this agreement takes effect.
- 2. This agreement shall be effective from the date on which this agreement is signed by all parties and shall be valid for five years from the date on which this agreement takes effect and shall be renewed every five years provided the membership of ICEDS consists of two members. This agreement shall be cancellable by either institution on ninety days' notice to the other party.
- 3. With the conclusion of this agreement, "General Agreement 2010" shall no longer be effective.

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Chairman

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President

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Date: 10 Feb 2015

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Date: FM & 20/5

## THE INTERNATIONAL CONSORTIUM FOR EARTH AND DEVELOPMENT SCIENCES BYLAWS

- 1. The International Consortium for Earth and Development Sciences (hereafter, ICEDS) will encourage cooperative activities in the field of earth and development sciences. These activities may include:
- (1) Exchange of professors, research scholars and research fellows;
- (2) Exchange of students and research partners;
- (3) Joint educational activities;
- (4) Joint research activities;
- (5) Joint meetings/seminars for research and education;
- (6) Exchange of scientific materials, publications, and academic information; and
- (7) Other additional aspects that may be agreed by partners from time to time.
- 2. An institute seeking to become a member of ICEDS shall sign a memorandum of understanding with one or more member(s) of ICEDS and the ICEDS Collaboration Committee, which shall be established as provided in the item 3 below.
- 3. To plan and manage exchange and cooperation among members, the consortium shall establish the ICEDS Collaboration Committee (hereafter, "ICEDS Committee"), which consists of the convener of ICEDS and representatives of every member.

- 4. Members may agree to agendas individually formulated for the promotion of activities provided in the first article. An agenda may be signed by participating parties, which shall include the representatives of the proposing member itself, one or more other member (s), and the ICEDS Committee. An agenda shall contain the (1) name and address of the signatory institutes; (2) validity and termination articles; (3) the areas, topics, and issues in which the signatory institutes will collaborate.
- 5. No financial obligations accompany membership. To fulfill the above initiatives, all members should make efforts to secure funding from sponsoring agencies within Japan and in other countries.
- 6. Any member may, on ninety days' notice in writing, withdraw from ICEDS. Membership may be cancelled upon agreement among more than half of the membership.
- 7. The bylaws may be changed by the ICEDS Committee upon agreement among more than half of the members.
- 8. Details, such as detailed rules, regulations or meeting memorandums, shall be defined by other documents.

These bylaws shall become effective from 10 February 2015.