**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON ACADEMIC EXCHANGE**
**BETWEEN**
**FACULTY OF SCIENCE, CHIANG MAI UNIVERSITY**
**AND**
**DRIESSEN CATERING EQUIPMENT LTD**

This Memorandum of Understanding ("**MOU**") is made and entered into on the 26th day of May 2026,

**BETWEEN**

**Faculty of Science, Chiang Mai University**, 239 Huay Kaew Road, Suthep Subdistrict, Mueang Chiang Mai District, Chiang Mai 50200, Thailand, (hereinafter referred to as **"CMU"**).

**AND**

**Driessen Catering Equipment Ltd, a foreign company duly incorporated under the laws of Thailand and registered to operate in the Kingdom of Thailand,** having its principal place of business at 68 Northern Region Industrial Estate 2 3 Ban Klang, Amphoe Mueang Lamphun, Lamphun 51000
(hereinafter referred to as **"Driessen"**),

Driessen and CMU may hereinafter be referred to individually as a **"Party"** and collectively as the **"Parties."**

**1. Objectives of Collaboration**

The Parties agree to establish academic–industry collaboration in the fields of Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence (AI), with the following objectives:

1. To collaborate in professional training and capacity building in Computer Science, Artificial Intelligence, and AI-driven digital transformation.
2. To jointly conduct applied research and AI transformation projects, focusing on real-world business and operational challenges that can be addressed through Computer Science, Artificial Intelligence, Data Science and machine learning and Algorithmic and computational methods
3. To jointly identify, define, and solve applied research problems by integrating industrial data and business context from Driessen with academic expertise and technical consultation from CMU.
4. To jointly produce undergraduate and graduate-level graduates by collaboratively identifying research problems, whereby:
    - Driessen shall provide relevant data, business context, and applied problem statements for analysis and modeling;
    - CMU shall provide technical consultation, academic supervision, and methodological guidance;
    - Academic staff, including course instructors and thesis advisors from both CMU and Driessen, shall jointly supervise, teach, guide, and advise students in conducting research systematically and in accordance with international academic standards.
5. To develop and strengthen human resources in Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence through Work-Integrated Learning (WiL), integrating academic study with real-world

industrial practice, with potential extension to other strategic industry contexts as mutually agreed.

6. To promote knowledge transfer, innovation, and sustainable adoption of AI technologies within Driessen through structured collaboration with CMU.

**2. Scope of Collaboration**

The collaboration under this MOU shall primarily relate to Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence, including their application to training, applied research, and AI transformation initiatives, and may include, but is not limited to, the following activities:

**2.1 Training and Workforce Development**

- Joint design and delivery of training programs, workshops, and seminars in:
  - Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning
  - Applied Computer Science
  - Data-driven and AI-enabled systems
  - AI transformation and digital strategy
- Training may be conducted in on-site, online, or hybrid formats.
- Programs may involve CMU faculty members, researchers, and industry practitioners.

**2.2 AI Transformation and Applied Research Projects**

- Joint planning and execution of **AI transformation and applied research initiatives**, which may include:
  - AI readiness and system assessment
  - Identification and prioritization of AI use cases
  - Data analysis, algorithm development, and AI model design
  - Prototyping, pilot projects, and proof-of-concept implementations
- All projects shall be **practice-oriented**, **data-driven**, and aligned with Driessen's operational and strategic objectives.

**2.3 Student Engagement and Work-Integrated Learning**

- Engagement of undergraduate and graduate students in:
  - Applied research projects
  - AI transformation initiatives
  - Work-Integrated Learning (WiL) placements
- Students shall be jointly supervised by CMU academic staff and designated personnel from Driessen.

**2.4 Project-Specific Agreements**

For each specific activity or project, the Parties may enter into **separate written agreements or addenda**, specifying:

- Project objectives and scope
- Duration and milestones
- Roles and responsibilities
- Financial or resource commitments (if any)

**3. Roles and Responsibilities**

### 3.1 Responsibilities of Driessen

Driessen shall:

1. Provide business context, operational insight, and relevant non-confidential data for AI and Computer Science projects.
2. Facilitate access to personnel, systems, and facilities as reasonably required.
3. Participate in joint planning, supervision, and evaluation of activities.
4. Support implementation and organizational adoption of agreed AI solutions.
5. Provide financial or logistical support as mutually agreed in writing.

### 3.2 Responsibilities of CMU

CMU shall:

1. Provide academic expertise in Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence.
2. Design training curricula and research methodologies consistent with international academic standards.
3. Provide technical consultation in AI, algorithms, data analysis, and system design.
4. Assign academic coordinators, instructors, and thesis advisors as appropriate.
5. Ensure ethical, academic, and professional standards are upheld.

## 4. Financial Arrangements

This MOU does not create any automatic financial obligation.

Any costs, fees, or funding arrangements shall be agreed **in writing on a case-by-case basis** prior to commencement of activities.

## 5. Confidentiality

1. Each Party shall maintain the confidentiality of all non-public or proprietary information received from the other Party.
2. No confidential information shall be disclosed without prior written consent, except as required by law.
3. Any academic publication or educational use of project-related information shall require **prior written approval from Driessen**.
4. Confidentiality obligations shall survive termination of this MOU.

## 6. Intellectual Property

1. Each Party retains ownership of its pre-existing intellectual property.
2. Intellectual property arising from joint activities shall be governed by **separate written agreements**, where applicable.

## 7. Term and Termination

1. This MOU shall be effective for **five (5) years** from the date of signing.
2. The MOU may be extended by mutual written agreement.
3. Either Party may terminate this MOU with **sixty (60) days' written notice**.
4. Termination shall not affect activities already in progress, unless otherwise agreed.

## 8. Legal Status

This MOU reflects the good-faith intentions of the Parties and does not create a partnership, joint venture, or agency relationship.

**9. Governing Law**

This MOU shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the **laws of Thailand**, unless otherwise agreed in writing.

**10. Execution**

This MOU is executed in **two (2) original copies**, each Party retaining one copy.

**11. Contact Person**


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