



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
**BETWEEN**  
**UNIVERSITY OF GONDAR, GONDAR, ETHIOPIA**  
**AND**  
**SEKOLAH TINGGI AGAMA KATOLIK NEGERI PONTIANAK, WEST KALIMANTAN,**  
**INDONESIA**

**THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING** is made on day 7<sup>th</sup> of August 2024

**BETWEEN**

**The UNIVERSITY OF GONDAR** (hereinafter referred to as “**UoG**”) was established as a Public Health College and Training Centre, now known as the College of Medicine and Health Sciences, in 1954 and founded with its current status and autonomy in 2004 with Registration Number 112/2004 and having its correspondence address at **Maraki Street, Gondar, Ethiopia** shall include its lawful representatives;

**AND**

**SEKOLAH TINGGI AGAMA KATOLIK NEGERI PONTIANAK**, (hereinafter referred to as “**STAKAT Negeri Pontianak**”), a public college that was established on 17 January 2017 under the regulation of Religious Affairs Minister number 3/2017, and having its correspondence address at **Jalan Parit Haji Mukhsin II Km. 2 Sungai Raya, Kabupaten Kubu Raya, Kalimantan Barat, Indonesia** shall include its lawful representatives and permitted assign; (hereinafter referred to singularly as “the Party” and collectively as the “the Parties”).

**WHEREAS**

- A. **UoG** is a prominent higher education institution with a rich history dating back to 1954 when it was originally established as the Public Health College. As one of the oldest medical training institutions in Ethiopia, it has evolved to offer a wide range of academic programs across its multiple campuses. The university's mission focuses on excellence in education, research, and community service, striving to produce skilled professionals and contribute significantly to societal development. With a diverse array of undergraduate and postgraduate programs, the University of Gondar is dedicated to fostering innovation and addressing the educational and health needs of the region and beyond.
- B. **STAKAT Negeri Pontianak** is an esteemed institution fostering knowledge in the light of the Catholic faith with its universal values that promote the development of a peaceful multicultural society. **STAKat Negeri Pontianak** actively seeks collaborative arrangements with other institutions to expand access to high-quality and affordable education, integrate digital technology, and continuously develop human resources.
- C. The Parties are desirous of entering this Memorandum of Understanding to declare their respective intentions and to establish a basis of cooperation and collaboration between the Parties upon the terms as contained herein.

**THE PARTIES HAVE REACHED AN UNDERSTANDING** as follows:

## **ARTICLE I**

### **OBJECTIVE**

The Parties, subject to the terms of this Memorandum of Understanding and the laws, rules, regulations and national policies from time to time in force in each Party's country, will endeavour to strengthen, promote and develop cooperation between the Parties on the basis of equality and mutual benefit.

## **ARTICLE II**

### **AREAS OF COOPERATION**

1. Each Party will, subject to the laws, rules, regulations, and national policies from time to time in force, governing the subject matter in their respective countries, endeavour to take necessary steps to encourage and promote cooperation in the following areas
  - a. Exchange of students and/or staffs;
  - b. Academic programs;
  - c. Research activities;
  - d. Publication;
  - e. Workshops and conferences;
  - f. Seminar/Webinar series;
  - g. Special short-term academic, training and cultural programs; and
  - h. Any other areas of cooperation to be mutually agreed upon by the Parties.
2. For the purpose of implementing the cooperation in respect of any area stated in paragraph 1, the Parties will enter into a legally binding agreement subject to terms and conditions as mutually agreed upon by the Parties including clauses on "confidentiality," "suspension," "protection of intellectual property rights" and "settlement of disputes."

## **ARTICLE III**

### **FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS**

1. This Memorandum of Understanding will not give rise to any financial obligation from one Party to the other.
2. Each Party will bear its own costs and expenses in relation to this Memorandum of Understanding.

## **ARTICLE IV**

### **EFFECT OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

This Memorandum of Understanding serves only as a record of the Parties' intentions and does not constitute or create and is not intended to constitute or create obligations under domestic or international law and will not give rise to any legal binding or enforceable obligations, express or implied.

## ARTICLE V

### NO AGENCY

Nothing contained herein is to be construed so as to constitute a joint venture partnership or formal business organization of any kind between the Parties or so to constitute either Party as the agent of the other.

## ARTICLE VI

### ENTRY INTO EFFECT AND DURATION

1. This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect on the date of last signature and will remain in effect for a period of five (5) years or until terminated by either Party with six (6) months written prior notice.
2. This Memorandum of Understanding may be extended for a further period as agreed to in writing by the Parties.

## ARTICLE VII

### NOTICES

Any communication under this Memorandum of Understanding will be in writing in English language and delivered by registered mail to the address or sent to the electronic mail address or facsimile number of University of Gondar and Sekolah Tinggi Agama Katolik Pontianak, as the case may be, shown below or to such other address or electronic mail address or facsimile number as either Party may have notified the sender and shall, unless otherwise provided herein, be deemed to duly given or made when delivered to the recipient at such address or electronic mail address or facsimile number and duly acknowledged:

To UoG : **UNIVERSITY OF GONDAR**  
Maraki street, Gondar, Ethiopia  
**Attn to : Solomon Girma**  
**Position : International Relations Officer**  
Tel no. : +251 (0)920570919  
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To STAKAT Negeri Pontianak : **SEKOLAH TINGGI AGAMA KATOLIK PONTIANAK**  
Jalan. Parit Haji Mukhsin II, Sungai Raya, Kabupaten Kubu  
Raya, Kalimantan Barat 78121, Indonsia  
**Attn to : Tetty Novitasari Simbolon**  
**Position : International Office Coordinator**  
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The foregoing record represents the understanding reached between UNIVERSITY OF GONDAR, GONDAR, ETHIOPIA and SEKOLAH TINGGI AGAMA KATOLIK PONTIANAK, WEST KALIMANTAN, INDONESIA upon the matters referred to therein.

Signed in duplicate at The Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia in Addis Ababa on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> of August in the year 2024 in two (2) original texts, written each in English language and attached with duty stamps, all texts being equally authentic.

For and on behalf of  
University of Gondar,

President,



Asrat Atsedeweyn, PhD

For and on behalf of  
Sekolah Tinggi Agama Katolik Pontianak,

President,



Dr. Sunarso

Witnessed by,

H.E. Dr. (H.C.) Al Busyra Basnur, S.H., LL.M.  
Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia to  
Ethiopia, Djibouti and African Union

Prof. Dr. Suyitno, M. Ag  
Head of Research, Development and Education  
and Training Bureau, Ministry of Religious  
Affairs Republic of Indonesia