

Memorandum of Cooperation
between the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture of Iceland
and the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan
on Education, Science, Technology and Innovation

The Ministry of Education, Science and Culture of Iceland and the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan (hereinafter referred to singularly as a "Participant" and collectively as "the Participants"),

desiring to further enhance the amicable relations in the field of education, science, technology and innovation between both countries;

recognizing the importance of education, science, technology and innovation cooperation as a means to further reinforce ties between both countries; and

believing that cooperation in the field of education, science, technology and innovation is mutually beneficial,

encourage the following collaborative activities:

- Promotion and facilitation of exchanging views, opinions and feedback between relevant institutions from both countries with the aim of identifying potential areas of common interest;
- Promotion and facilitation of institutional networking and partnerships;
- Identifying, organizing and making arrangements such as workshops, seminars and conferences;
- Exchange of knowledge, ideas, information and people on issues of common interest, such as supporting the development of early career researchers to promote the above mentioned activities;
- Promotion of joint research projects in areas of common interest, including Arctic science and Marine research. Future areas of common interest may include but are not limited to renewable energy, humanities and social sciences; and
- Any other activities to be decided upon by the Participants.

Cooperative activities under this Memorandum of Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as "this MOC") will be implemented in accordance with the laws and regulations of both countries and subject to available funds.

Cooperative activities under this MOC will commence upon the signature by the representatives of the Participants and will continue for an unlimited period of time. Either Participant may terminate this MOC by written notification to the other Participant. This MOC will terminate six months after the date of such notification.

Any matter arising from the implementation of this MOC will be settled amicably through

consultations.

Signed in Tokyo and Reykjavik through Videoconference on the 8th May 2021, in duplicate in English.

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for the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture of
Iceland

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "萩生田 光一" (Akihiro Nishimura). The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal dashed line.

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Science and Technology of Japan