Memorandum of Understanding
In the field of Academic Cooperation

Between

The University of Doha for Science and Technology, In the State of Qatar

and

Idaho State University, In the United States of America
The University of Doha for Science and Technology in the State of Qatar, hereinafter referred to as "University of Doha", and the University of Idaho, in the USA, hereinafter referred to as "ISU", and hereinafter referred to as ("Participants").

Whereas the University of Doha was established in virtue of Emiri Decision No. (13) of 2022.

ISU is a public higher education institution located in Idaho, United States of America, whose mission is the advancement of scholarly and creative endeavors through academic instruction and the creation of new knowledge, research, and artistic works.

The Participants seek to set forth their mutual intention to cooperate and coordinate relevant activities between themselves, as outlined in this MOU.

Have, therefore, came to the following understanding:

**Article (1)**

**Purpose**

The purpose of this MOU is to advance the collaborative ideas and objectives between the Participants as they relate to educational exchange activities in research and development of scientific studies. Furthermore, it is to expand the basis of friendship and establish a cooperative research relationship through mutual interests.

**Article (2)**

**Areas Of Cooperation**

The Participants agree to explore opportunities to potentially collaborate in the ISU Disaster Response Complex (DRC), Center for Advanced Energy Studies (CAES), and ISU Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering and conduct short visits from designated faculty members to build a joint long-term, sustainable plan for implementation in the following phases:
1. **Phase I:**
   a. Research;
   b. Curriculum/certification; and,
   c. Training of the students of the University of Doha at the DRC (e.g., short summer programs).

2. **Phase II:**
   a. Exchange of faculty;
   b. Exchange of students (undergraduate and/or graduate);
   c. Joint supervision of masters and doctorate students;
   d. Organization of joint research programs;
   e. Organization of joint conferences;
   f. Joint publications and scholarly work;
   g. Development of joint curricula and courses; and
   h. Offering joint degrees (associate, undergraduate and graduate) and certificates.

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**Article (3)**  
Supplementary Agreements

1. Participants may conclude written supplementary agreements signed by both Participants that are an integral part of this MOU, in order to implement its provisions.

2. The provisions of this MOU are intended to guide the Participants in relation to any and all such supplementary agreements. The general terms and conditions outlined in this MOU will apply to all supplementary agreements negotiated between the Participants in relation to the Purpose described in Article (1) of this MOU, unless specifically stated otherwise by the Participants in the supplementary agreement.
3. In the event of any conflict between the general terms and conditions outlined in this MOU and the specific terms of any supplementary agreement relating to the Purpose, the terms of this MOU will prevail, unless specifically stated otherwise by the Participants in the supplementary agreement.

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<td>This MOU does not represent any commitment with regard to any project or series of projects between the Participants, or any other financial commitments whatsoever. Any future commitment shall be reflected in separate written agreements that may be entered into by the Participants. Furthermore, this MOU shall not represent any commitment on the part of either Participant to the other Participant regarding any matter not contemplated under this MOU.</td>
<td>The Participants shall agree in writing on the timing and substance of any public announcements in relation to this MOU. Any communications, outputs, or materials developed as a result of the cooperation under this MOU, must comply with each Participant's policies and guidelines on the use of their official trademarks and symbols, and must be mutually agreed upon in writing by the Participants in advance. Both Participants agree that any recognition in respect of cooperation or activities under this MOU will not constitute an endorsement of each other's activities.</td>
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| 1. Unless agreed to otherwise by the Participants in writing, this MOU does not limit the Participants’ autonomy within their respective operations, including the liberty of entering into other cooperative arrangements with another participant. | 1. ما لا يتفق المشاركون على خلاف ذلك كتابةً، فإن هذه المذكرة لا تحبد المقاظة المشاركة في عمليات كل منهما بما في ذلك حرية الدخول في ترتيبات تعاونية أخرى مع مشارك ثالث.
| 2. This MOU does not affect other agreements and MOUs that either Participant has or will enter into with each other or with a third Participant. | 2. لا تؤثر هذه المذكرة على الاتفاقيات ومذكرات التعاون الأخرى التي ابرهما أو سينرارها أي من المشاركين مع بعضهما أو مع مشارك ثالث.

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| The Participants shall maintain the confidentiality of any commercially sensitive information exchanged in respect of the cooperation and activities under this MOU. It may not be disclosed to any third-Participant except with prior and express written consent from the Party that provided that information. | يحافظ المشاركون على سرية أي معلومات تجارية حساسة، يتم تبادلها فيما يتعلق بالتعاون والأنشطة بموجب هذه المذكرة. ولا يجوز تبادلها لمشارك ثالث إلا بموجب موافقة كتابية مسبقة وصريحة من الطرف الذي قدم تلك المعلومات.

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| 1. The Participants shall meet from time to time to review this MOU and to ensure that their respective and combined needs and longer-term goals are being met. The time, place and format of the meeting, whether in person or by teleconference, shall be mutually agreed upon by the Participants. | 1. يجتمع المشاركون من وقت لآخر لمناقشة هذه المذكرة، وضم الالتزامات المشتركة لكل منهما والأهداف طويلة المدى. ويتم الاتفاق على زمان ومكان الاجتماع سواء حضورياً أو عن بعد من قبل المشاركين.
| 2. The Participants agree that no person shall on the grounds of gender, race, language, or religion be excluded from participation under the terms of this MOU. | 2. يتفق المشاركون على أنه لا يجوز استبعاد أي شخص على أساس الجنس أو الأصل أو اللغة أو الدين من المشاركة بموجب أحكام هذه المذكرة.
3. Both Participants shall seek to perform all activities in connection with this MOU with diligence, in a timely manner and in accordance with professional standards and practices recognized in the field of post-secondary level education.

4. Both participants shall seek to reasonably provide the necessary facilities and support services for each other to perform its obligations in connection with this MOU.

5. Both Participants shall seek to take all such reasonable actions necessary under their national laws to provide necessary services in connection with this MOU.

6. The Participants will be excused from delays or failures in performing their obligations to the extent that such delays or breaches result from unforeseeable causes that are beyond the reasonable control of any of the Participants, provided that the affected Participant inform the other Participant of such delay or breach and the causes thereof (if known), the reasonable mitigation measures being implemented, and the anticipated duration of any delay or breach. The Participants agree to negotiate in good faith regarding any additional costs that may result from such excusable delay or breach.

7. In no event will either Participant be liable to the other for any indirect, incidental, consequential, exemplary, or punitive damages of any kind or nature whatsoever, regardless of whether such damages are claimed on the basis of contract, warranty, strict liability, tort (including, without limitation, negligence) or otherwise with respect to the subject matter of this MOU, even if the Participant has been informed in advance of the possibility of such damages.

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8. Failure on the part of either Participant at any time to enforce or to require the strict adherence to or performance of any of the terms or conditions of this MOU or any supplementary agreement shall not constitute a waiver of such terms or conditions and shall not affect or impair such terms or conditions in any way or the right of either Participant at any time to avail itself of such remedies as it may have had for each and every breach of such terms and conditions.

9. This MOU is solely for the benefit of the Participants, and no provision of this MOU confers upon any other person or entity any remedy, claim, liability, entitlement, cause of action or other right whatsoever.

10. Neither Participant may engage third Participants to provide services in connection with this MOU, without the prior written and explicit consent of the other Participant. Neither Participant may assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights, duties or obligations under this Agreement, without the prior written and explicit consent of the other Participant.

11. The Participants acknowledge that this MOU does not constitute an association for the purpose of establishing a legal partnership or joint venture and does not create an agency relationship between the University of Doha and ISU.

12. This MOU, together with any supplementary agreements hereunder, constitutes the entire agreement between the Participants in relation to the Purpose, and supersedes all prior communications, proposals, agreements, and agreements relating to the Purpose, whether oral or written.
13. The Participants agree and undertake to act at all times in a manner which is consistent with high ethical standards and best practices and to take all reasonable steps to ensure that their officers, employees, agents, and co-venturers act in accordance with the same standards.

14. The Participants agree that if any perceived, potential, or actual breach of the provisions of this MOU or any supplementary agreement comes to the attention of a Participant, that Participant shall without delay advise the other Participant.

15. The Participants shall comply with all applicable laws and other governmental requirements in the performance of their respective obligations under this MOU. The Participants understand that transfer of certain technical data by ISU may be subject to United States of America laws controlling the export of such data, and the Participants' cooperation under this MOU is contingent upon ISU following these laws.

Article (9)

Notice and Contact Information

1. For the University of Doha for Science and Technology, in the State of Qatar:
   Name: Professor Rachid Benlamri, Vice-President.
   Phone: 00974 4495 2841
   E-mail: rachid.benlamri@udst.edu.qa

2. For Idaho State University, in the USA:
   Name: Dr. Mustafa Mashal, Associate Professor, Associate Director and Fellow of the Center for Advanced Energy Studies.
   Phone: 001 (208) 282-4587
   E-mail: mustafamashal@isu.edu

Article (10)

No Binding Effect

With the exception of the provisions of Article (7), this MOU expresses the intentions of the Participants, and is not intended to confer any legal rights or obligations on the Participants under the International Law.
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Any dispute that may arise regarding the implementation or interpretation of the provisions of this MOU or any supplementary agreements hereunder, shall be amicably settled by consultation between the Participants through diplomatic channels.

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This MOU may be amended by the written agreement of both Participants, and this amendment shall take effect from the date of its signature by both Participants.

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1. This MOU will come into effect from the date of its signature by both Participants and will remain in effect for (5) five years from its effective date, and may be automatically renewed for further term or terms by written agreement between the Participants. The Participants shall, before the end of the term of this MOU, conduct a joint assessment to agree on the future ways of cooperation and set a time frame with the Participants’ written agreement.

2. Either Participant may, at any time, request for the termination of this MOU, upon a written notice addressed by one of the Participants to the other through diplomatic channels expressing the intention to terminate this MOU at least ninety (90) days prior to the date of termination. The termination or expiry of this MOU shall not affect the existing and ongoing activities, until they are completed, unless the Participants agree to otherwise.
This MOU was made and signed on 25 January 2024, in two original copies, in Arabic and English, both of which are equally authentic.

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