



RESEARCH AGREEMENT BETWEEN



**Institute for Nanotechnology (INT),
Vietnam National University Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam**

AND

**International Research Center for Renewable Energy (IRCRES),
Xi'an Jiaotong University, China**

This is an agreement for research collaboration on “Nanomaterials for environmental applications” between the **Institute for Nanotechnology (INT), Vietnam** and the International Research Center for Renewable Energy (IRCRES), Xi'an Jiaotong University, China.

Article 1: Forms of Cooperation

It is hereby agreed that the two institutions shall cooperate on “Nanomaterials for environmental applications” in the first collaboration period, which is 3 years.

This Cooperation shall include:

- a) Implementation of cooperative research
- b) Exchange of students/researchers to execute the research
- c) Exchange of information and publication of the research

Article 2: Implementation

A. In order to carry out the above-mentioned activities and to utilize the results achieved, a prior written agreement shall be concluded in each case. Each specific agreement shall contain all major details of the execution of the cooperation. These shall include provisions concerning:

- Sharing of costs
- Delegation/exchange of staff
- Warranty and liability
- Access & Use rights of (patentable and/or non-patentable), results of concerned research under collaboration research work, as well as IPRs proprietary rights, managements of IPRs, administration of legal protection of such results, dissemination, potential exploitation, dissemination
- Confidentiality and use of information
- Publication rights

B. Both institutions shall agree to seek financial support for mutually agreed cooperative activities from appropriate agencies of their respective government and other agencies. In case financial support is not available, all costs resulting from cooperation shall be borne by the Party that incurs them, except when otherwise specifically agreed in writing. In particular, whenever a delegation /exchange of staff is contemplated

under this agreement, the sending Party shall be responsible for the salaries, insurance, benefits, travel expenses, and allowances to be paid to its personnel.

- C. Notwithstanding article 5 below, this agreement is effective for 3 years from the date of signing, unless terminated earlier by either institution by giving the other Party a 1 month's advance notice in writing. In the event of termination, or the expiration of this Agreement, obligations and commitments already agreed upon shall be honored and continued by the Parties until full completion.
- D. This agreement may be amended, supplemented or extended and/or renewable by written agreement of the institutions.

Article 3: Confidential Information

Both institutions shall agree at all times during the term of this agreement that disclosure of any confidential information shall be subject to a specific agreement according to Article 2 A.

Article 4: Cooperative Research and Intellectual Property

Either institution to this agreement may propose to the other specific individual research projects for collaboration. Such proposals may be made at any time and an individual project agreement will be drafted for each research project as set out in Article 2 A. Amongst others, as per Article 2 A, the protection and exploitation of any valuable intellectual property arising out of a research project will be addressed in each individual project agreement.

Article 5: Agreement not Legally Binding

This agreement is not legally binding but intended to broadly state basic understanding by the institutions. Financial or fiduciary arrangements for specific research projects will be outlined in separated research agreement(s) between the institutions and external agencies.

Article 6: General Provisions

The provisions of this agreement shall be applied in accordance with the mandatory, statutory, national, international laws and regulations in force in each country under which each party is bound to comply at any and all times.

Institute for Nanotechnology

Dr. Doan Duc Chanh Tin
INT Director



Date: July 20, 2023

International Research Center for Renewable Energy

Prof. Dr. Lionel Vayssieres
IRCRE co-founder & Scientific Director

A blue ink signature of Prof. Dr. Lionel Vayssieres.

Date: July 20, 2023