



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN UNIVERSITY OF RWANDA AND IMBONIZARWO

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as “MoU”) is made and entered into by and between the University of Rwanda (hereinafter called "UR) located at KK 737st Gikondo P.O Box 4285, Kigali Rwanda, Tel: +250 0789001218, Email: vc@ur.ac.rw and represented by the Vice Chancellor, Professor Philip Cotton

and

IMBONIZARWO, a Rwandan Non-government organization located at Kicukiro District, Gikondo Sector Tel: +250788352503, Email: imbonizarwo@gmail.com and represented by Mr. Jean Pierre KWIZERA, the legal Representative.

PREAMBULE

WHEREAS the University of Rwanda (UR) is a higher education institution formed in 2013 through the merger of Rwanda’s previously public institutions of higher education. The University of Rwanda was established in September 2013 by the Law n° number 71/2013 of 10/09/2013 determining its mission, powers, organization and functioning.

The vision of the University of Rwanda is to be a leading University that develops highly enterprising graduates prepared and dedicated to building a more just and sustainable society locally, nationally and globally, with appropriate innovations that advance quality of life.

WHEREAS, IMBONIZARWO is a Non-government organization founded on 25th February 2014 by students of University of Rwanda. After four years the organization was legally registered as Local NGO on 26th December 2018.

IMBONIZARWO overall aim is to bring together diverse knowledge and competent skills acquired from education to raise positive changes in Rwandan community through “triple partnership” of Universities, civil societies and government institutions in a bid to address community problem.



RECOGNIZING the mutual benefits to be gained through cooperation and collaboration in the fields of promoting learning by doing, training, community engagement and dissemination of knowledge on a non-commercial basis

RECOGNIZING the important role of both parties in the promotion of sustainable scholarly activities, policy-related research and implementation towards transforming Rwandan community in field of Social and Economic empowerment.

NOW, THEREFORE, the two parties agree as follow:

I. Purpose

The purpose of this MoU is to stimulate and fastening the long term mission of each party in domain of community engagement. This MoU will mainly contributes to the advancement in quality and practical education through both institutional crosscutting programs mainly in social and economic development.

II. Scope

The areas of collaboration include research activities and programs offered at both institutions that will contribute to the fostering and development of the cooperative relationships between parties.

II. Responsibilities of parties

A. Responsibilities of IMBONIZARWO

- IMBONIZARWO shall keep engaging UR – students in practical project and community outreach program purposely to improve the contribution of UR students to the country's vision.
- IMBONIZARWO shall work with UR researchers mainly Centre for Conflict Management (CCM), PhD Candidates and UR-Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA) program to implement the findings in some of its practical projects.
- IMBONIZARWO will keep attracting UR Alumni to contribute to the success and achievement of UR's mission.
- IMBONIZARWO through operation program focusing on high schools shall keep raising UR's reputation and attracting people to study in University of Rwanda.



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B. University of Rwanda Responsibilities :

- ✓ UR will provide its facilities (meeting room) for joint approved activities planned.
- ✓ UR shall provide transport and lunch to the ongoing students while attending planned and approved community outreach programs conducted by both UR and IMBONIZARWO.
- ✓ UR shall encourage its community to participate where possible in the IMBONIZARWO program upon official invitation and shall avail other possible assistance not in terms of financial support.

C. Joint responsibilities :

Based on UR planned activities and IMBONIZARWO program, the two parties will work on joint programs in order to create a positive impact on promoting the well being of communities by implementing several activities/skills through promoting learning by doing.

D. Implementation:

This MoU sets forth the intentions of the Parties for collaboration and cooperation in furthering their missions and visions and does not create any legally binding commitments. If the Parties agreed to undertake specific projects, they shall develop separately legally binding agreements setting out each Party's obligation.

III. NOTICES

Any notice to given under this MOU must be in writing and will be effective in 7 working days. The notice shall be clearly specifying the overall aims of intended message and each party shall identify a contact person to coordinate the development and implementation of any agreed upon activities.

IV. GENERAL TERMS

Validity period: This MoU is designed for official partnership of 5 five years renewable or extended by mutual consent set out in writing. and the effective date will be counted from the time of official signing by both parties.

Termination: Either party may terminate this MoU at any time with reasonable factors upon giving two months notice to the other party, but ongoing commitments have to be completed prior to the closing official termination.



Amendments. Either party may request changes to this MOU. Any changes, modifications, revisions or amendments to this MOU which are mutually agreed upon by and between the parties to this MOU shall be incorporated by written instrument, and effective when executed and signed by all parties to this MOU.


VI. FINAL PROVISIONS AND SIGNATURES

In witness whereof, the parties to this MOU through their duly authorized representatives have executed this MOU on the day and date set out below, and certify that they have read, understood, and agreed to the terms and conditions of this MOU as set forth herein.

Done at Kigali on 09./06/ 2019

On the behalf of IMBONIZARWO

On the behalf of University of Rwanda


Mr. Jean Pierre KWIZERA
The Legal Representative
IMBONIZARWO Organization


Prof. Philip Cotton OBE
The Vice Chancellor
University of Rwanda