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World-Class Researcher Development Through Regional Collaboration (HIRAKU-Global) under "Strategic Professional Development Program for Young Researchers" by MEXT HIRAKU-Global Consortium Understanding Regarding Collaborating Institutions

August 29, 2024

(Purpose)

Article 1 Based on Article 11 of the World-Class Researcher Development Through Regional Collaboration (HIRAKU-Global) under "Strategic Professional Development Program for Young Researchers" by MEXT HIRAKU-Global Consortium Rules and Regulations, necessary matters regarding the handling of Collaborating Institutions shall be established.

(Definition)

Article 2 A Collaborating Institution is an organization that implements this project in cooperation with the Lead and Partner Organizations, whilst not being eligible for subsidies.

(Role of Collaborating Institutions)

Article 3 In addition to securing the research efforts and providing research support for the faculty members that are to be developed from their own institutions, Collaborating Institutions shall also work within the Consortium to strategically develop researchers systematically and to disseminate and expand the developed initiatives.

(Initiatives at Collaborating Institutions)

Article 4 Collaborating Institutions shall have their affilió Tf1 0 BDC g03 rb56 T62culty embitiminptimeticipate project's development program (excluding the financial support offered through subsidies). Furthermore, in order to develop world-class researchers, the Collaborating Institutions, in conjunction with the other Consortium Member Organizations, shall support the construction of medium- to long-termcareer development visions from a global perspective. In addition, they shall provide a varietyofsupport to help improve the abilities of each individual according to their field of expertise and needs, such as in regard to team management, research guidance/mentoring, 2cquisition of external funding, article submission to top journals, etc., as well as in regard to undertaking collaborative research with domestic and international researchers

(Expenses Borne by the Collaborating Institutions)

Article 5 Participation in the development program established within this project shall be free of charge.
In saying that, the Collaborating Institutions shall be responsible for any expenses incurred by their
6 T62culty members during their participation in the dependent program, such as travel expenses, etc.

(Procedures for Joining/Withdrawing)

Article 6 Institutions wishing to join as a Collaborating Institution shall submit the Membership Application Form (Appendix 1) to the HIRAKU-Global Office, and an approval shall subsequently be obtained from the HIRAKU-Global Operating Council. Note that the applicant who shall apply on behalf of an institution is not necessarily limited to corporate representatives.

2. An institution wishing to withdraw from the Consortium shall submit a Notice of Withdrawal (Appendix 2) to the HIRAKU-Global Office, and an approval shall subsequently be obtained from the HIRAKU-Global Operating Council.

Appendix 1

Date:

"World-Class Researcher Development Through Regional Collaboration" (HIRAKU-Global) Operating Council

> Institution name (or affiliation name) Address Representative or head of department

"World-Class Researcher D evelopment T hrough Regional Collaboration" (HIRAKU-Global) Regarding joining the Consortium as a Collaborating Institution (Membership Application Form)

Regarding the above, having confirmed the HIRAKU-Global Consortium Understanding Regarding Collaborating Institutions, we would like to request to join as a Collaborating Institution as a