Memorandum of Understanding
between
Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, USA
and
China Agricultural University, Beijing, China

To facilitate collaboration in the areas of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences between The Ohio State University (OSU), located in Columbus, Ohio, USA, and China Agricultural University (CAU), located in Beijing, China, both institutions have a mutual interest in promoting collaboration and cooperation in academic and other areas by continuing the activities and programs undertaken under the auspices of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) signed in 2003. The parties therefore agree to extend their cooperation for another period of five years and enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) which describes the broad scope and terms of their intended relationship.

1. **SCOPE**
Areas of possible collaboration include, but are not limited to:

1.1. Joint student training programs
1.2. Joint research projects
1.3. Staff exchanges and visits
1.4. Student exchanges
1.5. Joint activities such as conferences or seminars
1.6. Exchange of information

2. **MANAGEMENT**
In order to implement this MOU, each institution will designate a Coordinator who will be responsible for general liaison as well as arrangements for specific activities. Any specific activities arising from this MOU, including joint activities, conditions for uses of the results achieved, and arrangements for specific visits and exchanges, will be the subject of separate, written agreements that shall define the exact nature of the activities to be undertaken, the responsibilities of each institution in fulfilling the agreed objectives, and also include details of all arrangements for funding and, where appropriate, the protection of intellectual property rights.

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3. **FUNDING**

It is understood that the details of any financial arrangements, which will depend on the availability of funds to each party, and all other forms of cooperation, will be negotiated for each specific case through separate written agreements. Each party agrees to seek financial resources for supporting exchange and collaboration. Both parties agree to jointly seek third party funding to support collaborative project activities.

4. **DURATION OF AGREEMENT**

This agreement will be in force for a period of five (5) years from the latest date appearing below. It may be renewed for an additional five years if both institutions, acting independently, agree in writing to renew it at least six (6) months before it expires.

5. **SIGNATURES**

**For: Ohio State University**

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