

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

FUNDESUMA

AND

**THE PAYSON CENTER FOR
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND
TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER OF TULANE UNIVERSITY**

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) IS MADE AND ENTERED INTO on to the date of its signing by and between the **PAYSON CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER OF TULANE UNIVERSITY** (hereinafter Payson Center) and the **FUNDESUMA** (hereinafter **FUNDESUMA**) to strengthen and further develop interinstitutional collaboration in the area of information technologies and other initiatives related to human sustainable development.

PURPOSE

This MOU delineates the areas in which **Payson Center** and **Fundesuma** (hereinafter The Center and The Foundation) will collaborate and the terms and conditions by which they will operate.

SCOPE

The **Payson Center** and the **Fundesuma** are uniquely qualified to collaborate in the areas of information technologies for human sustainable development.

The Center and the Foundation have demonstrated internationally recognized expertise to develop effective interinstitutional collaboration in the aforementioned areas. Cooperation between the Center and the Foundation can further the extent and impact information technologies for human sustainable development. To this end, the Center and the Foundation enter into this MOU.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Through formal agreements, the Center and the Foundation will collaborate in supporting on-going projects and/or initiatives in the areas of training, monitoring, research, education, and communications services in support of information technologies for human sustainable development considered convenient, affordable and desired by the Center and the Foundation. The Center and the Foundation will enter into agreement to develop new initiatives and jointly, or separately, search for funding to support these new joint projects and/or initiatives. When executed by the Center and the Foundation, these agreements will be attached as addendums to this MOU, and will be subject to terms and conditions contained herein.

Areas for inter-institutional cooperation include, but are not limited to:

- Collaboration in the development of information and communication technologies with a special focus on the problem area such as emergency situations and natural disasters, based in the **Payson Center's** EClass using content developed by **Fundesuma** such as MISE (Comprehensive management of emergency supplies and other logistics training workshops), Logistics and Humanitarian Supply Management material, and SUMA software subject to existing copyrights hold by third parties.
- Collaboration in the local production of digital libraries (such as **Payson Center's** Medicine and Health, Human Sustainable Development, the Environment, Food and Nutrition, Emergencies and Disasters), with special emphasis on implementation.
- Collaboration in the assessment and analysis of the **Fundesuma** web page regarding graphic design, site structure and other technical characteristics.

WORK PLAN/PROJECT ADMINISTRATION

It is further understood that this MOU is made subject to the Terms and Conditions mentioned above and will be in compliance with all statutory requirements for each party and their policies.

TERM

This MOU, which is effective upon date of signing by representatives of **Payson Center** and **Fundesuma**. This agreement can be terminated by either party with a written notice. It is understood that termination of this MOU will not jeopardize projects which are on-going at the time of termination.

Administration of any on-going projects will follow the terms and conditions set forth within each project agreement.

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF: the parties hereto have caused this MOU to be executed by their undersigned officials as duly authorized.

MOU between Payson Center for International Development and Technology Transfer
of Tulane University and Fundesuma - February 13, 2002

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