

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT
BY AND BETWEEN

NORTH-WEST UNIVERSITY, POTCHEFSTROOM CAMPUS, SOUTH AFRICA
AND
THE UNIVERSITY OF JOENSUU, FINLAND

The provisions recorded below establish the principles and conditions by which North-West University, Potchefstroom Campus, and the University of Joensuu (in Finnish: Joensuu yliopisto) agree to cooperate in academic exchanges, programme development and research. Such a cooperative agreement will be realised as established in the following clauses:

I. Legal framework of both institutions

North-West University is empowered by its bylaws to enter into cooperative agreements of this nature with other institutions in regard to the subjects related to the achievement of its goals and objectives, as stated in its bylaws, in order to further contribute to the achievement of such goals and objectives.

The University of Joensuu is a multidisciplinary public research university authorised and financially supported by the Finnish Ministry of Education. The University was established in 1969 on the basis of the Law 462/1969 concerning the establishment of the University of Joensuu (in Finnish: "Laki Joensuun korkeakoulusta 462/1969").

The Campus Rector may initiate agreements with foreign institutions of higher education to enhance international goodwill and understanding through programmes of academic exchange.

II. North-West University, Potchefstroom Campus, South Africa, and the University of Joensuu, Finland, share common interests and objectives

By reason of their very essence as higher education institutions, North-West University, Potchefstroom Campus, South Africa and the University of Joensuu, Finland, share interests and objectives in academic exchange and scientific research matters. Both institutions are interested in establishing academic cooperation agreements with institutions of similar nature in order to assist in the achievement of their goals and objectives in such matters.

III. Purpose of the Agreement

North-West University, Potchefstroom Campus, South Africa and the University of Joensuu, Finland, jointly agree to subscribe to a cooperative agreement in order to promote the following activities between both institutions:

- A) Exchange of teaching and research personnel and of students
- B) Cooperative development of courses and academic programmes
- C) Development of joint scientific research projects
- D) Cooperation in Master's and PhD degrees
- E) Any other activity of mutual interest regarding academic or scientific research matters

IV. Execution of the Agreement

The specific activities to be carried out under this agreement will be stated in corresponding agreements and specific Sub-Agreements. Such agreements and specific Sub-agreements, once approved in writing and signed by both parties, will be attached as Annexes to this agreement.

