



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

MoU

between

Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya(DSVV), Haridwar, India

&

Centro Studi Bhaktivedanta (CSB), Academy of Traditional Indian Sciences, Pisa, Italy

This Memorandum of Understanding, dated 01.09.2010 is drawn out between the Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya, a duly recognized University by the University Grants Commission (UGC), New Delhi, India & sponsored by Shri Vedamata Gayatri Trust, Shanti kunj, Haridwar, a well known socio-spiritual organization and Centro Studi Bhaktivedanta - Accademia delle Scienze Tradizionali dell'India (CSB – Academy of Traditional Indian Sciences) with legal seat in 56038 Ponsacco (PI), Italy, henceforth to be referred to as CSB, recognized by the Italian Government as a Non-Profit organization, an independent academic institution dedicated to the studying and teaching of the traditional culture of India.

The MOU has been signed on the prospect that both the institutions will collaborate on developing the joint academic courses. On the basis of these Courses, CSB and DSVV will develop common research projects and enhance teaching, educational and research cooperation for the students, faculty and staff of both the institutions i.e. DSVV & CSB. Both of them find precious synergy in such initiatives and plan to work together for mutual development, promoting the exchange of students and teachers for the research and study.

The memorandum builds its foundation on the two institutions' common commitment to the values of intellectual freedom, educational excellence, and international cooperation.

Areas of mutual cooperation and roles of the Institutions - DSVV

Keeping in view the common areas of teaching and value system, DSVV shall extend external support for providing short term training programs and modular programs to the CSB in the areas of the Alternative Therapies like Yagna therapy, Yog therapy, Naturopathy, Acupressure, Pranic healing, Ayurveda, Punchkarma etc.

The Chief Patron of the DSVV, Pt Shriram Sharma Acharya ji has written more than 3000 books in his life time with numerous titles on the Eastern Psychology, Life Philosophy, Scientific Spirituality, Individual refinement etc. DSVV shall offer his works which can then be used to design curriculums and Courses at the CSB.

DSVV shall as well offer its expertise to the CSB in the common disciplines of Yog, Ayurveda, Alternative Therapies, Theology, Psychology, Philosophy & the Scientific Spirituality.

Areas of mutual cooperation and roles of the Institutions- CSB

CSB shall offer help in developing teaching aids and didactic materials in the fields of Indovedic Psychology, Philosophy, Literature, Sociology, Theology, History, Arts, Archeology in the context of joint academic courses, and thus will improve the existing teaching tools of the DSVV.

The Founder-President of CSB, Marco Ferrini has written many books and produced many audio-video didactic materials on the Traditional Indian Sciences and CSB shall offer these works to design curriculums and Courses in the collaboration with the DSVV.

CSB will extend its support in conducting mutual training & modular programs (workshops, seminars, lectures, spiritual retreats), which may envisage visits of the Professors, Trainers, Scholars and/ or students in the respective areas.

Mutual responsibilities of both the Institutes

Both the institutions should synergize efforts to foster the spirit of research and development in mutually agreed areas and share best practices and known methods for better outputs. Such research may envisage nominating professors from the respective Institutions who shall work together in the research proposals. Members of CSB Faculty will be recognized by DSVV as Visiting Faculty and the members of the DSVV Faculty will also be recognized by the CSB as their Visiting Faculty. The lodging and boarding arrangements shall be taken care of by the respective Institutions.

Student Exchange programs to study the various aspects of the Course curriculum, to be jointly worked out between the two institutions shall gain important focus. Such a program may also lead to credit transfer in the ongoing academic programs of the respective institutions. The lodging and boarding arrangements of students shall be taken care of by the respective Institutions

Signatures:

Marco FerriniFounder-President

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Dr S P Mishra, Vice Chancellor

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