



**CAPITOL  
TECHNOLOGY  
UNIVERSITY**

1927



**INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS IN  
EDUCATION FRAMEWORK  
(Memorandum of Understanding)**

**BETWEEN**

**CAPITOL TECHNOLOGY UNIVERSITY  
(Maryland, USA)**

**AND**

**CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE OF BUEA  
(CAMEROON)**

## **I. OVERVIEW**

Provisions governing the functioning of accredited private higher education institutions in Cameroon as expressed in Ministerial Text Article 38 of Decree No. 2001/832/PM of 19 September 2001 and other related government texts require that private higher education institutions establish collaborative agreement with either one or more state universities or foreign accredited universities as partners in education. The state university or foreign university is required to play the role of the reviewing institution as a means of fostering quality assurance in higher education in Cameroon leading to the award of end of course certificates and degrees. It is in view of this that the Catholic University Institute of Buea (CUIB), adopting the US model of higher education is engaging in this International Partners in Education Framework Agreement between Capitol Technology University in Maryland, USA hereinafter referred to as Capitol and the Catholic University Institute of Buea, Cameroon hereinafter referred to as CUIB.

## **II. PURPOSE**

**Article 1:** The purpose of this International Partners in Education Framework Agreement is to promote partnership; and facilitate and enhance academic, administrative, and research cooperation between the two universities toward the goal of granting end of course certificates and degrees in both undergraduate and graduate programs offered by both universities.

## **III. SCOPE OF CONTRIBUTIONS**

**Article 2:** This framework agreement shall encompass academic collaboration, joint organization, review and supervision of CUIB by Capitol in the following areas:

- i. Records/Compliance
- ii. Curriculum sharing and development at the undergraduate and graduate levels
- iii. Teaching
- iv. Evaluation
- v. Research
- vi. Faculty professional development
- vii. Faculty and student exchange
- viii. Capacity building
- ix. Articulation of credits
- x. Franchise arrangements
- xi. Certification and validation



#### **IV. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TWO INSTITUTIONS**

**Article 3:** CUIB and Capitol shall work together with due respect for the instruments in force, standards set by the competent authorities, official programs, university system, ethics and values and in accordance with this framework agreement as well as specific agreements resulting therefrom.

**Article 4:** Capitol, herein referred to as the Reviewing University shall specifically undertake:

- i. To ensure that teaching, research and student assessment at CUIB are carried out in compliance with standard operating procedures agreed by both institutions.
- ii. Reinforce academic, administrative and management capacity of CUIB so as to enable it attain the level of Excellence and international standards.
- iii. Review and approve the academic process leading to the award of end of course certificates and degrees to CUIB students.
- iv. Foster the unique identity and Mission of CUIB as an EoC, Catholic, Professional, and Entrepreneurial University.
- v. Certify the certificates of CUIB students who have fulfilled the conditions laid out by CUIB for the award of end of course certificates and degrees.

**Article 5:** CUIB shall specifically undertake to:

- i. Implement teaching programs in field of study and training cycles for which it has been accredited and stick only to these fields and cycles.
- ii. Provide ways and means to facilitate the implementation of this International Partners in Education Framework Agreement.
- iii. Provide the necessary information to the Reviewing University where needed.

#### **V. IMPLEMENTATION MEASURES**

**Article 6:** Capitol and CUIB shall organize periodic meetings to agree on specific programs and action plans in line with this framework agreement.

**Article 7:** Activities and draft programs jointly agreed upon shall provide for the conditions of implementation and financing by specific conventions by the two parties

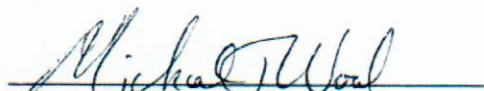
**Article 8:** The present International Partners in Education Framework Agreement shall be valid for three years, renewable by tacit mutual agreement for the same duration.

**Article 9:** Any disagreement arising from the interpretation of this framework agreement shall be settled amicably between the two parties.

**Article 10:** Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 9 above, the termination of this framework agreement can be done on the initiative of one of the parties, provided prior notice of one month is given. However, the parties shall undertake to complete any activity or program underway at the time of the prior notice.

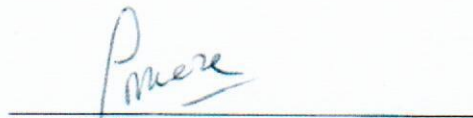
**Article 11:** This International Partners in Education Framework Agreement as well as the ensuing specific conventions shall come into force following its signature by the representatives of the two contracting parties and presented to the Minister of Higher Education for appreciation.

The Representative of  
Capitol Technology University


  
Michael T. Wood, Ph.D.  
President, Capitol

Date: July 16, 2015

Representative of Catholic University  
Institute of Buea (CUIB)

  
Rev. Fr. George Jingwa Nkeze, Ed.D.  
President and Pro-chancellor of CUIB

Date: 7/16/2015

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His Lordship, Mgr. Immanuel Bushu, PhD.  
Chancellor of CUIB