#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between the Institute of China and Contemporary Asia,
Russian Academy of Sciences (ICCA RAS), the Russian Federation
and the Faculty of Political Science and Public Administration,
Chiang Mai University (CMU), the Kingdom of Thailand

The Institute of China and Contemporary Asia, Russian Academy of Sciences, the Russian Federation (ICCA RAS) and the Faculty of Political Science and Public Administration, Chiang Mai University (CMU), the Kingdom of Thailand as Participants to this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), recognizing their strengths in research and their mutual interest in engaging themselves in academic collaboration, set forth the following:

#### 1. The Scope of Collaboration

The principal aim of the proposed MoU is to promote collaboration in research and academic exchange in fields of mutual interest between the Participants. The specific fields of interest will be defined in working protocols inside this framework agreement.

The following list of activities, which is not exhaustive, may be included in this MoU:

- Collaborative research;
- Guest lectures in the partner institution;
- Exchange of academic and administrative staff;
- Joint organisation of scholarly events (conferences, workshops, round-tables, expert discussions, book presentations, etc.);
- Publications in each other's journals.

The success of this agreement will depend on the active efforts of the Participants. In addition, some of the activities noted above will only be undertaken subject to further negotiation and mutual agreement on the financial details.

#### 2. <u>Institutional Co-ordinators</u>

Each institution will nominate an Institutional coordinator who will communicate regularly with his/her opposite number to monitor the progress of collaborative and staff exchange arrangements.

# 3. Funding

This Memorandum is free of charge and does not impose any financial obligations on the Participants.

Specific financial allocations for the exchange of academic staff, administrative staff and visiting researchers are subject to the approval of the individual Participant and are not binding as a result of this Memorandum.

Each of the Participants will study the sources of funding for projects that it considers mutually beneficial.

Each Participant is responsible for expenses incurred by its employees under this Memorandum.

## 4. Tenure and Termination

This Memorandum comes into force from the moment of its signing by the Participants and will be valid for three years.

This Memorandum may be extended in the future.

Mutually acceptable amendments may be made to this Memorandum in the light of experience gained.

Any Participant may terminate this Memorandum by giving one month's written notice to the other Participant.

# 5. Arbitration

In the event of disputes relating to any aspect of this cooperation, the Participants will jointly resolve them in the spirit of mutual respect and common responsibility.

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