# AGREEMENT

# BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND

# AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND

ON THE CO-OPERATION IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The Government of the Republic of Poland and the government of the Kingdom of Thailand (hereinafter referred to as "Parties"),

Recognizing the importance of science and technology in the development of their national economies,

wishing to strengthen and develop economic, scientific, technological and environmental co-operation on the basis of equality and mutual benefit,

Have agreed as follows:

### ARTICLE 1

The Parties shall encourage and support the co-operation between the two Countries in the field of science and technology on the basis of equality and mutual benefit, according to the provisions of this Agreement and existing legislation and regulations of each country.

#### ARTICLE 2

The co-operation shall have in particular the following forms:

a/ Joint teaching, research, development and design projects, as well as exchange of scientists, specialists and researchers.

- b/ Organization of and participation in joint scientific and environmental conferences, symposia, courses, workshops, exhibitions, etc.
- c/ Exchange of scientific and technological information and documentation.
- d/ Joint use of teaching, research and development facilities, as well as scientific equipment.
- e/ Other forms of scientific, technological and environmental co-operation which may be mutually agreed upon.

- 1. For the purpose of implementing this Agreement, a Joint Committee, composed of representatives designated by the two Parties, is established.
- 2. The tasks of the Joint Committee shall be as follows:
- a/ identifying the fields of co-operation on the basis of the information delivered by institutions of each country and the national policies in science and technology,
- b/ creating the favourable conditions for the implementation of this Agreement,
- c/ facilitating the implementation of joint programmes and projects,

- d/ the exchange of experience arising from the bilateral scientific, technological and environmental co-operation and the examination of proposals for its further development.
- 3. The Joint Committee will meet at least once a year, unless otherwise agreed, alternatively in the Republic of poland and in the Kingdom of Thailand on mutually convenient dates and will conclude Arrangements containing the evaluation of the past, current and future co-operation activity under this Agreement.
- 4. The Joint Committee may elaborate its own rules of procedure.

To facilitate scientific, technological and environmental co-operation, the Joint Committee will agree periodical Executive Programmes containing, inter alia:

- a/ fields of co-operation,
- b/ specific topics,
- c/ institutions responsible for the realization and implementation of joint work: governmental agencies, scientific institutes, research and technological entities, scientific societies and associations, and other relevant institutions hereinafter referred to as "co-operating partners". Definition of the co-operating partners, according to the law of each Contracting Party, will be performed by Joint Committee,

- d/ the use of joint research and development projects results.
  - e/ financial resources,
  - f/ cost of the exchange of personnel,
  - g/ health insurance

Scientific and technological results and any other information derived from the co-operation activities under this Agreement, will be announced, published or commercially exploited with the consent of both co-operating partners and according to the international provisions concerning the intellectual property.

### ARTICLE 6

Any disputes related to the interpretation or implementation of this Agreement shall be settled through consultations within the Joint Committee or between the Parties.

## ARTICLE 7

With respect to the co-operation activities established under this Agreement, each Party shall take, in accordance with its laws and regulations, all necessary measures to ensure the best possible conditions for their implementation.

This Agreement shall not affect the validity or execution of any obligation arising from other international treaties or agreements concluded by either Party.

#### ARTICLE 9

- 1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date when the Parties notify each other, that the Agreement has been approved in accordance with the legal procedures of each country. The date of the last notification is deemed to be the date of the coming into force of the Agreement.
- 2. This Agreement shall remain in force for a period of five years and shall automatically be renewed for further periods of five years, unless either Party notifies in writing its intentions to terminate this Agreement through diplomatic channels. The termination will come into effect in six months from the date of the said notification.
- 3. The termination of this Agreement shall not affect the projects or programmes undertaken under this Agreement and not fully executed at the time of the termination of this Agreement.

The responsible bodies for the implementation of the provisions of this Agreement are the State Committee for Scientific Research of the Republic of Poland and the Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment of the Kingdom of Thailand.

Done at Bangkok, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 1996, in duplicate, in English.

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