

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE FLEMISH POLICY DOMAIN WELFARE, PUBLIC HEALTH AND FAMILY
AND
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, REPUBLIC OF CHINA (TAIWAN)

THE FLEMISH POLICY DOMAIN WELFARE, PUBLIC HEALTH AND FAMILY and MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, REPUBLIC OF CHINA (TAIWAN), both hereafter referred to as “the Participants”:

Acting in the spirit of partnership and cooperation;

With a view to further strengthening and developing their mutual relations;

With the aim of exchanging good practices within their field of competence;

On the basis of friendship and the already existing cooperation between them;

HAVE COME TO THE FOLLOWING UNDERSTANDING:

SECTION 1: PURPOSE AND AREAS OF COOPERATION

§1. This Memorandum of Understanding aims to establish the basis for a cooperative relationship to encourage technical bilateral exchange of best practices between the Participants. It describes the areas and the modalities of organization in order to achieve this objective.

§2. The Participants will encourage exchange of good practices in the following areas within their competences:

- 1) Implementation of medical and care information sharing mechanism;
- 2) Management of hospitals, including – but not limited to – design, construction, financing models, maintenance;
- 3) Hospital inspection and accreditation;
- 4) Elderly care/ Long term care.

SECTION 2: MODALITIES OF COOPERATION

§1. Exchange of good practices between the Participants under this Memorandum of Understanding may take the following modalities:

- 1) Exchange of good practices and experiences on policy (administrative) and technical level;
- 2) Exchange of good practices, expertise and experiences between academic, scientific and technical personnel within the areas described in Section 1, §2;
- 3) Organization of study visits within the areas described in Section 1, §2;
- 4) Mutual invitation of experts to conferences, events, etc. organized by the Participants or where the Participants consider it useful for experts of the other Participant to be present.

§2. Other modalities may be decided upon later by the Participants.

SECTION 3: FINANCING

The costs involved in the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding will be borne by the respective Participants. This Memorandum of Understanding does not bind either Participant to any financial arrangement other than those separately accepted in writing.

SECTION 4: EFFECTIVE DATE, AMENDMENTS, TERMINATION

§1. This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect upon signature.

§2. This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended at any time by mutual written consent of the Participants.

§3. This Memorandum of Understanding may be terminated by either Participant giving one month's written notice to the other Participant.

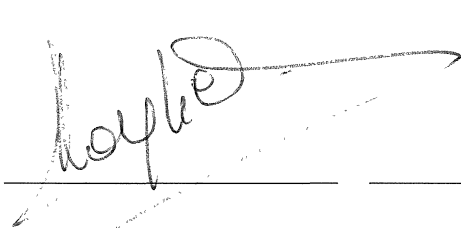
SECTION 5: DISPUTE SETTLEMENT

This Memorandum of Understanding does not create any rights or obligations under International Law.

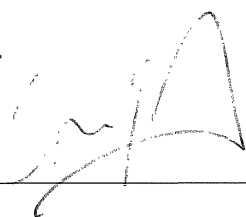
Any dispute between the Participants related to the interpretation and implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding will be resolved amicably by means of consultation and negotiation between the Participants and will not be referred to any national or international tribunal or third party for settlement.

The foregoing represents the understandings reached between the Participants upon the matters referred to herein; it does not create legally binding obligations.

Signed in duplicate in Brussels (Belgium) on the 29th January 2019, in the English language.



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