Memorandum of Understanding Between

National Sun Yat-sen University, Taiwan and

Government of Tuvalu

This non-binding Memorandum of Understanding is hereby signed between National Sun Yat-sen University and the Government of Tuvalu to establish the "Taiwan and Tuvalu Center on Marine Science and Engineering (TTCMSE)" for the purpose of furthering collaboration in both education and marine environmental research. Both institutions affirm their intent to promote such academic cooperation and exchange as well as mutual benefit to their respective institutions. The specific areas of cooperation are considered to include but are not limited to:

- 1. Marine Biodiversity;
- 2. Marine Geochemistry;
- 3. Marine Engineering.

Details of the implementation of any particular initiative resulting from this MoU shall be negotiated between the two institutions as each specific case may arise. Both institutions understand that financial arrangements will have to be negotiated and will depend on the availability of funds.

This MoU aims to promote academic cooperation, capacity development, and data availability for planning and decision-making; and is subject to revision, renewal, or cancellation by mutual consent and becomes effective upon completion of the signatures.

Ying-Yao Cheng

President

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Minister of Public Works,

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National Sun Yat-sen University Government of Tuvalu

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