Memorandum of Understanding

The Academy of Scientific Research and Technology, Egypt (hereinafter referred to as "the Academy")

The Future University (FU), Sudan (hereinafter referred to as "FU")

Whereas the Governments of Sudan and Egypt have decided to enhance and strengthen their cooperation in all fields including the field of higher education and scientific research;

Whereas the cooperation requires intensive exchange of scientists and researchers and experts.

Whereas Egypt has developed very successful experience in organizing and implementing Science Year(s) with several countries in Europe, Japan and United State of America;

Whereas The Future University Board of Trustees, in its last meeting in May 2012 recommended that The Future University gets actively engaged in the organization of a Sudan-Egypt Science Year and strengthens its regional and international relations with universities.

Therefore, the Academy of Scientific Research and Technology, Egypt and The Future University (FU), Sudan have decided to play a role in implementing these initiatives.

The two Parties hereby agreed on the following:

**Article I**

1. Initiate the elaboration of a Science Year proposal and work towards its adoption by the two Governments;
2. Contact the concerned Ministries in both countries of Egypt and Sudan to promote the idea;

\[Signature\]
3. Ensure that The Academy of Scientific Research and Technology in Egypt and Future University in Sudan act as focal points for the organization of activities within the framework of the Science Year.

Article II
The launching of the Science Year between Egypt and Sudan is planned in the year 2013. The two parties may implement activities in the interim phase prior to the endorsement and ratification of the Agreement between Egyptian and Sudanese Governments.

Article III
The Academy will facilitate the provision of Egyptian scientists for long and short-term periods in priority areas for FU.
The Academy will assist FU in the area of innovation and technopreneurship.

This agreement comes into effect upon its signature by the two parties.

Signed on behalf of
The Academy of Scientific Research and Technology, Egypt
Prof. Maged Alsherbiny

Signed on behalf of
The Future University (FU), Sudan
Dr. El Tayeb Mustafa

Date: oct 14, 2012

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