MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN The Higher Council for Science and Technology ("HCST") represented by the Project Management Unit ("PMU") of the Support to Research and Technological Development and Innovation Initiatives and Strategies ("SRTD") Project;

AND El Hassan Science City ("EHSC");

AND University of Jordan (hereinafter called the Host Institute);

FOR the establishment of Technology Transfer Branch Office ("TTBO") in the Host institute under the SRTD Project budget.

UNDER THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING IT IS AGREED THAT:

A) SRTD

- As part of the support to the Establishment of TTBOs, the SRTD will fund the initial office furniture and one laptop computer.

- The SRTD will support the Technology Transfer Officer with Training, Internship and Consulting service, in coordination with the centralised Intellectual Property Commercialization Office (IPCO) by selecting appropriate training and consulting programs and funding them.

B) EHSC

- As part of the support to the Establishment of TTBOs, EHSC shall provide Technology Transfer support services to the Technology Transfer Officer at the Host Institute through the centralised IPCO.

- Will Monitor, Coordinate and Standardise the Host Institute Technology Transfer Activities.

- Will ensure all efforts are exerted in developing and sustaining the centralised IPCO.
C) The Host Institute

- The Host Institute shall provide and allocate space to the TTBO

- The TTBO at the Host Institute shall act as the local TTBO and be responsible for:
  
  - monitoring the ongoing research activities and their potential commercialisation value
  
  - assessing the technology / IP needs of the institution,

  - and promoting Technology Transfer concepts within the Host Institute

- The Host Institute shall hire/assign a Full-Time Technology Transfer Officer (after the approval by the SRTD) and replace the Officer should they not carry out their duties to the satisfaction of all parties

- The Host Institute will enable and actively support the Technology Transfer Officer to attend and benefit from the training services offered by the SRTD

- The Assigned/hired Technology Transfer officer shall have a strong background in business and applied research

- The Host Institute shall enable and actively support the Technology Transfer Officer to work across the institute and have access to all personnel involved in research activities and technology development

- The TTBO should be attached to the Host Institute top management office or the Research deanship

- The TTBO at the Host Institute shall report its activities to both the SRTD and EHSC

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D) Continuity beyond the SRTD contract

- During the contracting period, the SRTD, EHSC and the Host Institute will cooperate to develop a sustainable TTBO Model with secured funding at the Host Institute

- By October 2010 the EHSC and the Host Institute shall start negotiating and preparing a contract for the cooperation and responsibilities of the two parties for the TTBO Model at the Host Institute where this contract shall be signed by the end of December 2010

E) Any activities with financial burdens shall be negotiated and agreed upon contractually between all involved parties

F) Both EHSC and the host institute agree to inform the PMU of the SRTD project before initiating any information, communication or visibility activity and to follow the Communication and Visibility Manual for European Union External Actions during the SRTD project.

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