



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
ON ACADEMIC COOPERATION AND EXCHANGES BETWEEN
THE SOUTH EASTERN KENYA UNIVERSITY AND
THE CENTER OF LIFE AND FOOD SCIENCES WEIHENSTEPHAN OF THE
TECHNISCHE UNIVERSITÄT MÜNCHEN**

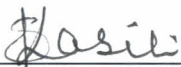
1. The South Eastern Kenya University and the Center of Life and Food Sciences Weihenstephan of the Technische Universität München, in furtherance of their mutual interests in research, and as a contribution to increased international co-operation between them, hereby agree to implement, within the framework of the regulations applying in each of the institutions and subject to the availability of resources, the following programmes and activities:
 - (i) Exchange of existing staff
 - (ii) Joint research activities
 - (iii) Participation in seminars and academic meetings
 - (iv) Exchange of publications, academic materials and other information
 - (v) Exchange of research students on a reciprocal basis with tuition waiver
 - (vi) Joint quality assurance benchmarking.
2. The terms and conditions under which a specific programme and activity shall be undertaken under the terms of this Agreement, and any necessary financial arrangements to facilitate these, will be mutually discussed and agreed upon in writing by both parties prior to the initiation of the particular programme or activity.
3. The institutions acknowledge that all visits of staff and the admission of research students will be subject to compliance with entry and visa regulations of Kenya and Germany, and the institutions' requirements in respect of student admissions and staff appointments.
4. Both parties shall designate a liaison office for this Agreement. For the South Eastern Kenya University the office shall be the **Department of Biological Sciences**, and specific programmes and activities shall be recommended by the Vice-President (International). For the Technische Universität München, this Office shall be the **Department of Ecology and Ecosystem Management – School of Life Sciences Weihenstephan**.

5. This Agreement shall also apply to the educational and research organisations attached to each party.
6. This Agreement shall become effective for a period of five (5) years from the date of the last signature, on the understanding that subject to review and mutual agreement it may be renewed for another term of five years upon each expiry. However, it may also be terminated by either party giving six months' prior notice to the other party in writing.
7. The primary concern of this MoU besides the above is a cooperation in the field of Conservation Biology and Evolutionary Ecology to implement the project "Population viability analyses of the Kenyan endemic bird species Hinde's Babbler: A flag-ship species for understanding and conserving riparian ecosystems".

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties hereto have offered their signatures:

4.7.2014

**For the South Eastern Kenya
University**



Dr. Sichangi Kasili
Dean
Department of Biological Sciences

4.7.2014

**For the Technische Universität
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