

**Amendments to the Agreement on Global U7 Consortium for Education,
Joint Research and Building Administrative Capacity**

Provision is made in **Article XI** in the Agreement on Global U7 Consortium for Consortium for Education, Joint Research and Building Administrative Capacity for member institutions to mutually agree to review the Agreement every three years.

1. The opportunity is taken to change references from Global U7 to **Global U8**.
2. **Article III: Structure** shall be changed in the following ways

Clause 1

The word 'Chair' should be inserted and the word 'Secretariat' changed to 'Secretary-General' to read:

There shall be a Council of Presidents comprising the principal officers (or their alternates) from member institutions, which will do their utmost to facilitate the functions and objectives of the Global **U8** Consortium through a **Chair, Secretary-General** and a series of Committees.

A new Clause 2 should be inserted.

2. The Chair shall be elected from the Council of Presidents for a three-year term.

Note: This position will be determined by consensus as per Article V of the Agreement that all decision-making shall be by consensus.

Clause 3

The initial Clause 2 now becomes Clause 3.

The first line in the original '*There shall be a Secretariat of the U7 Consortium headed by a Secretary-General*' is redundant and removed so that the clause now reads:

3. The Chair of the Council shall appoint the Secretary-General after taking the Council of Presidents' advice and set out the powers, duties, conditions of service, and terms of office of the Secretary-General. The Secretary-General shall appoint the Secretariat's staff.

Clause 4

The original clause 3 on Committees becomes the new Clause 4.

3. **Article VI Membership** shall be changed in the following ways:

Clause 1

Remove the word 'founding' to read:

As of the date of entry into this Agreement the Universities which accept this Agreement shall become **Members** of the Global U8 Consortium.

Clause 3

The following is to be added to the existing clause which reads: 'Any member institution may withdraw from this Agreement by giving six months written notice to the Chair of the Council of Presidents'.

The revised clause now reads:

3. Any member institution may withdraw from this Agreement by giving six months written notice to the Chair of the Council of Presidents. Frequent absences from Consortium activities for 12 months shall be drawn to the attention of the member institution. Further lack of attendance over a period of six months will result in voluntary withdrawal.

4. **Article XI Implementation** shall be changed in the following way:

Clause 4

Three years should be changed to five years to read:

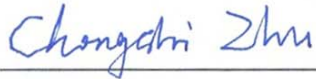
4. The member institutions mutually agree to review the Agreement every **five** years.

Done at the University of Rhode Island, USA, this twenty-eighth day of September, two thousand and six.



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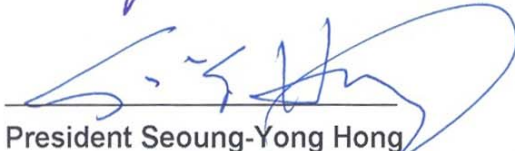
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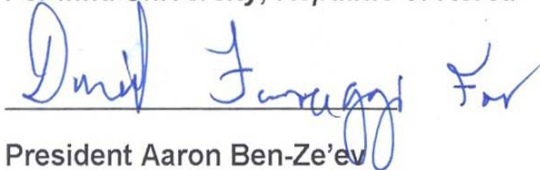
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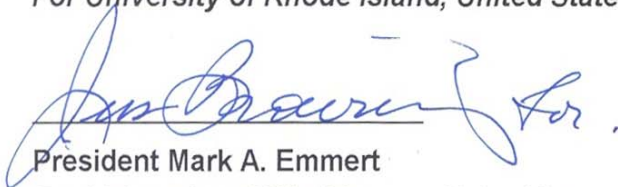
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