DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM AGREEMENT RETWEEN

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AND INFORMATION ENGINEERING, COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, NATIONAL TAIWAN NORMAL UNIVERSITY AND

DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, UPPSALA UNIVERSITY

This Dual Degree Program Agreement ("Agreement") is between the Department of Computer Science and Information Engineering, College of Science, National Taiwan Normal University ("NTNU-CSIE"), located in Taipei, Taiwan R.O.C. and the Department of Information Technology, Uppsala University, located in Uppsala, Sweden ("UU-IT").

Article 1 Definitions

In this Agreement unless the context otherwise specifies: "Home Institution" designates the institution sending the students; "Host Institution" designates the institution receiving the students.

Article 2 Purpose

- A. The purpose of this Agreement is to set out the terms and conditions under which UU-IT and NTNU-CSIE shall conduct a Dual Degree Program to award Master of Science degrees from each Institution to enrolled and qualified NTNU-CSIE and UU-IT students. The Dual Degree Program will be developed through mutual cooperation between UU-IT and NTNU-CSIE.
- B. This Agreement is intended to promote mutual cooperation between UU-IT and NTNU-CSIE to help achieve goals and objectives of each and both parties, including competencies in computer science, as well as language proficiency, professional and research experiences.

Article 3 Qualification, Application, Length, and Credits Transference

- A. Students accepted and enrolled in the Master of Science program at UU-IT and the Master of Science program at NTNU-CSIE are eligible to apply for the Dual Degree Program. All students who apply for the Dual Degree Program by Home Institution's recommendation must then follow the regular application procedures of the Host institution. This Agreement does not guarantee that students of the Home Institution will be accepted into the Host Institution; Students of the Home Institution will be considered for admission on an equal basis with all other applicants provided that they meet the prerequisites and requirements for admission to the Host Institution. The Host Institution reserves the right of final approval on the admission of a student from the Home Institution.
- B. Host institution may accept up to a maximum of twelve (12) students per term from Home institution. The parties should strive for that an equal number of students travel in both directions.
- C. The combined education period at the Home and Host Institutions shall respectively be a minimum of two (2) semesters.
- D. To be granted a Master degree from each Institution, students shall be required to meet the graduation requirements of both UU-IT and NTNU-CSIE.
- E. To be granted a Master degree from UU-IT, students shall be required to meet the graduation requirements of UU-IT.
- F. To be granted a Master degree from NTNU-CSIE, students shall be required to meet the graduation requirements of NTNU-CSIE.

- G. The combined period of study at the Institutions does not have to be continuous. The final term can be completed at the Home Institution. Graduates shall receive a Master degree from each Institution.
- H. Each Host Institution shall not grant a Master degree under the Dual Degree Program if a student withdraws from the Dual Degree Program.

Article 4 Educational Support and Others

- A. Each Host Institution will impose no additional tuition fee on the students. Students will be responsible for the other cost of their education (including application fees and student fees at each Institution) as well as all travel/transportation (domestic and international) and personal expenses (such as meals, textbooks, course materials, and other living costs). While NTNU-CSIE students are at UU-IT, they must pay for the computer and student insurance fees to NTNU-CSIE, as required by NTNU-CSIE.
- B. For enrollment, grade evaluations, scholarships, student services, student code of conduct, advising, and other related matters, the applicable regulations for each university shall be observed. For other matters, regulations from both universities will be followed.
- C. Each Host Institution shall provide students with information regarding academic and cultural orientation to the Host Institution.
- D. Each Host Institution shall provide appropriate academic services to students.
- E. Each student will be assigned an academic advisor by the Host Institution and they will be expected to meet periodically to discuss academic matters and any other issues and concerns.
- F. Students can transfer the credits from the Host Institution according to their Home Institution's rules and regulations. Students must satisfy the current academic year requirements of both institutions, both overall and for the respective degree programs.
- G. Each student must pass a final thesis defense to demonstrate mastery of fundamental principles of the work included in their course of study through a thesis project under the direction of the student's advisor at NTNU-CSIE and UU-IT, and approved by NTNU-CSIE and UU-IT thesis committee.
- H. NTNU-CSIE and UU-IT agree to exchange student information with the purpose of monitoring and enhancing student academic success.

Article 5 Housing and Other Facilities

- A. Students will be responsible for accessing suitable housing/accommodations and transportation while studying at the Host Institution, with assistance from the Host Institution. Each student is responsible for the costs involved for transportation and housing/accommodations.
- B. The Host Institution shall provide guidance to students in the use of various incidental facilities of the Host Institution, including libraries, computer labs, recreational facilities, and other general university facilities.

Article 6 Health and Accident Insurance

- A. Each student from NTNU-CSIE should have a valid medical insurance at UU-IT, according to the current regulations of UU-IT.
- B. UU-IT students must provide proof of medical personal accident insurance from Sweden, valid from entering Taiwan up to at least six (6) months upon enrollment at NTNU-CSIE. UU-IT students who stay in Taiwan for more than six (6) months will be required to enroll in Taiwan's National Health Insurance Program.

Article 7 Visa & Immigration

Students are responsible for complying with all visa/immigration requirements, laws, and regulations of the host country, including obtaining and maintaining any visas and/or permits needed for participation in their Dual Degree Program at the Host Institution. If required to meet Dual Degree Program objectives, the Host institution will provide certificates of eligibility for student status to Home institution for students accepted and admitted to the Host institution. The Host Institution shall bear no responsibility for those students who fail to obtain and maintain any visas and/or permits or who fail to comply with the visa/immigration requirements, laws, and regulations of the host country. Each student must keep the Host Institution informed of any changes in his/her visa status. Students are responsible to pay any required visa application, permit, and/or associated exchange visitor fees.

Article 8 Communication and Consultation

Regular communication regarding the Dual Degree Program will be enacted between the designates of UU-IT and NTNU-CSIE.

Article 9 Management of Students

- A. Students will be required to comply with the laws of the host county as well as the rules and regulations of the Host Institution and their Home Institution. Any breach of Host Institution rules and regulations will be dealt with in accordance with the established policies and procedures of the Host Institution in consultation with the Home Institution.
- B. NTNU-CSIE and UU-IT agree to the timely sharing of any information relating to possible concerns, disciplinary or otherwise, that the Host Institution may have, or of which the Host Institution is aware, relating to a student at the Host Institution pursuant to this Agreement. The Host Institution also agrees to provide timely responses to any reasonable specific requests for information that the Home Institution may make regarding a Home Institution's student at the Host Institution pursuant to this Agreement.
- C. The Host Institution shall have the right to require a student to withdraw from the Dual Degree Program and Host Institution at any time if the student's work or behavior has clearly not met the requirements of the Host Institution. This right will not be exercised without the Host Institution's prior consultation with the Home Institution. For suspension and reinstatement of study, students must follow the applicable regulations of both Institutions.

Article 10 Other Provisions

- A. <u>Intellectual Property</u>. The parties agree that the hosted students shall be responsible for complying with intellectual property, privacy, and export laws and regulations of the host country.
- B. Non-Discrimination. Both parties subscribe to a policy of equal opportunity and do not discriminate on the basis of gender, age, race, ethnicity, national origin, or religion. Both parties shall abide by these principles in the administration of this Agreement, and neither party shall impose criteria for students that would violate the principles of non-discrimination. Both universities accept students without regard for sexual orientation (including gender identity and gender expression) in accordance with the policies of both universities.
- C. <u>Financial Obligations</u>; <u>Limitation of Resources Committed</u>. Neither party shall assume any financial obligations under this Agreement except as specifically provided for. This Agreement does not create an obligation for either party to provide resources necessary to carry out any part of this Agreement except as approved of the party responsible for providing those resources.
- D. <u>Amendment/Modification</u>. No amendment or modification to this Agreement, including any amendment or modification of this paragraph, shall be effective unless in writing and signed by both parties.
- E. <u>Term and Termination</u>. This Agreement will be in effect for five (5) years and may be renewed in writing at the end of the fifth (5th) year for an additional five (5) year term. Either party may terminate this Agreement

at the conclusion of the current academic year or other mutually agreed upon date by providing at least six (6) months written notice to the Officer of the Dual Degree Program of the non-terminating party. In the event of termination, the Parties shall cooperate and use their reasonable best efforts to let current students in the Dual Degree Program complete their program already in progress. Quality Monitoring. Each party has the right to demand a quality monitoring of the program. Such a monitoring should be arranged so that it starts at the latest six (6) months after the demand.

F. Notices. Any notices required pursuant to this Agreement shall be directed and sent to:

NTNU-CSIE:	Attn: Department Chair
	Department of Computer Science and Information
	Engineering,
	College of Science
	National Taiwan Normal University
	No.88, Sec. 4, Tingzhou Rd., Taipei,
	Taiwan R. O. C. 10610
	Email: brenda-chen@csie.ntnu.edu.tw
	Telephone: 886-2-7734-6660
	Fax:886-2-2932-2378
UU-IT:	Attn: Head of Department
	Department of Information Technology,
	Uppsala University
	Box 337, 751 05 UPPSALA
	Email: prefekt@it.uu.se
	Telephone: 46 018-471 3021
	Fax:46 018-511 925

- G. <u>Use of Names, Marks, Logos</u>. Each party agrees it will not use the other party's name(s), mark(s), or logo(s) in any advertising, promotional material, press release, publication, public announcement, or through other media written or oral without the prior written consent of the other party.
- H. <u>Relationship of Parties</u>. This Agreement does not create any agency, partnership, joint venture, employment, or independent contractor relationship between the parties.
- Non-Exclusive Agreement. This Agreement should not be construed as an exclusive contract and the parties, at their option, may enter into similar agreements with other entities.
- J. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. All prior discussions, agreements, and understandings between the parties in writing, are hereby merged into this Agreement.

This Agreement is completed in English and Chinese, with both versions being equally authentic; in the case of any discrepancy between the two versions, the English version shall prevail. This Agreement is hereby signed in two (2) copies in each language, with one (1) copy in each language remaining in the possession of each party.

The provisions of this Agreement are hereby agreed to and acknowledged by:

NATIONAL TAIWAN NORMAL UNIVERSITY

Dept. of Computer Science and Info. Engineering

Prof. Chiung-Yao Fang

Chair

Asst. Prof. Ko-Chih Wang

Coordinator for Academic Exchanges

Date

February 1, 2022

UPPSALA UNIVERSITY

Dept. of Information Technology

Prof. Lina von Sydow Head of Department

Senior Lecturer Anders Berglund

Coordinator for Academic Exchanges

Date

February 1, 2022

