
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

REGARDING COLLABORATION AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE **TETIAROA SOCIETY** AND THE **UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY**

Whereas, **Tetiaroa Society**, hereinafter “TS”, is a California registered 501c3 nonprofit corporation that operates a scientific research facility consisting of laboratories and housing on Tetiaroa, hereinafter “the Tetiaroa Ecostation”;

Whereas, the **University of California Berkeley**, hereinafter “the University” has operated the Gump South Pacific Research Station on Moorea, French Polynesia, hereinafter “the Gump Station”, since 1985;

Whereas, the Gump Station and TS share a common mission to support scientific research and education to promote the understanding, conservation, sustainable use, and wise management of tropical islands

The parties hereby agree to the following joint program:

OBJECTIVES

The Parties shall promote cooperation in the support of research, education, and public service in areas of mutual interest, especially those relevant to the conservation and sustainable use of tropical island ecosystems.

METHODS

The University will help TS coordinate programs to further the CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE USE of Tetiaroa, including but not limited to:

- Gump Station Director (Neil Davies) may chair the TS Scientific Advisory Board (SAB)
- Gump Station Associate Director (Hinano Teavai-Murphy) may chair the TS Cultural Advisory Board (CAB)

The TS will facilitate access to the atoll of Tetiaroa for University researchers and students;

Together, the Parties will fundraise to support programs of mutual interest, including but not limited to:

- Tetiaroa Observatory, a long term ecological research program that investigates the impact of global change on atolls and how local actions can increase ecosystem resilience
- Tetiaroa IDEA a data science infrastructure (Island Digital Ecosystem Avatar) for environmental sustainability

RESPONSIBILITIES

- The present agreement implies no financial commitment of either party
- TS is solely responsible for all physical facilities and staff on Tetiaroa.

LIABILITY

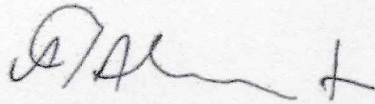
The Parties make no representation or warranties expressed or implied, regarding their performance under this MOU.

COMMENCEMENT & TERMINATION

This MOU shall be effective from the date of signing by the last of the Parties for a term of five (5) years. Either Party may terminate the MOU with ninety (90) days of written notice to the other Parties.

This Agreement may be renewed for periods of five (5) years by amendment.

University of California Berkeley



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Date: October 14, 2016

Tetiaroa Society



Stanley Rowland

President

Date: November 1, 2016