

**Extension of the
Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)
for
Research Cooperation
between
Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Universität Hannover(LUH), Germany
represented by its President
and
Ubon Ratchathani University (UBU), Thailand
Until 05/2019**

1. Introduction

The Leibniz Universität Hannover (LUH), Germany and Ubon Ratchathani University (UBU) Thailand have been cooperating since 2015 to perform a long-term research project, namely the Thailand Vietnam Socioeconomic Panel (TVSEP). The project has carried out panel data collection and scientific analysis for three provinces in Thailand, namely Buriram, Nakhon Phanom and Ubon Ratchathani.

The core of this cooperation is the operation of the TVSEP National Research Data Collection Center Thailand at Ubon Ratchathani University. The Center has excellently facilitated the collection and management of socio-economic data for research in sustainable development during two panel waves in 2016 and 2017. LUH would like to continue the cooperation with UBU until the end of the TVSEP project, sponsored by the National Science Foundation of Germany (DFG) which is in 2024. However the DFG provides funding in three year intervals only. The second project phase will start in January 2019. The current MoU between LUH and UBU ends on 31st May 2018. In order to assure the continuation of the TVSEP Thailand Center at UBU, LUH proposes an extension of one year (until 31st May 2019). Once the approval for the second phase by DFG is available LUH will propose a further three year extension of the MoU.

The total budget for the current one year extension phase (until 31st May 2019) amounts to 1.381.600 THB (one million three hundred eighty one thousand and six hundred baht only). The equivalent Euro (€) amount is 36.357,89 at an exchange rate of 38 THB per Euro. LUH will be responsible for the payment of any changes in currency rates.

The rules and principles of the cooperation shall remain as specified in the previous MoU.