### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)

#### BETWEEN THE

# CHINESE ACADEMY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

#### AND THE

## MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE OF THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND

Chinese Academy of Social Science of the People's Republic of China and the Ministry of Education and Culture of the Republic of Finland (hereinafter referred to as "Signatories"),

In Accordance with the "Science & Technology Cooperation Agreement between People's Republic of China and the Republic of Finland" signed on 17<sup>th</sup> September, 1986 and the Cultural Agreement signed on 30 January 1984,

Taking into consideration the importance of education and science for the development of society, and the positive results within the framework of the previous and continuing scientific cooperation and exchange between the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences and the Finnish universities and the Academy of Finland, and

#### Building on,

- the principles of mutual benefit and win-win cooperation;
- the complementary advantages of the both Signatories in academic research and education;
- a comprehensive, stable and long-term cooperation and a partnership relationship,

Agree as follows:

#### Article 1

#### **OBJECTIVES**

The objective of this Memorandum of Understanding is to enhance, widen and intensify cooperation in the field of scientific research and postgraduate education between the two countries.

#### Article 2

#### CONTENT OF COOPERATION

The Cooperation under this Memorandum of Understanding includes encouraging cooperation in the field of scientific research and postgraduate education and, to this end, facilitating the development of cooperation and partnerships among relevant organizations and institutions, such as the institutes of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, the Graduate School of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, the Finnish universities and the Academy of Finland.

#### Article 3

#### ORGANIZATION AND IMPLEMENTATION

The Signatories will form a joint working group to formulate an implementation roadmap for facilitating initiatives of mutual interest. The further task of the working group is to hold regular meetings, to steer and evaluate the implementation of the cooperation under the framework of this Memorandum of Understanding.

Both Signatories will support the cooperative projects under the framework by the operational partners.

#### Article 4

#### INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

All issues concerning the intellectual property rights will be agreed by the operational partners.

#### Article 5

#### DURATION OF THE MEMORANDUM

This Memorandum of Understanding is valid until a new memorandum is concluded.

Either Signatory may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding at any given time with a written notice to the other Signatory issued three (3) months prior to the termination.

Any dispute arising out of the interpretation, application and enforcement of clauses of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled through friendly consultations between Both Signatories.

Both Signatories may modify the Memorandum of Understanding upon written consent.

The Memorandum of Understanding is signed on the 31<sup>st</sup> of October, 2014, in Helsinki, Finland, in duplicate and only in English language.

For the Chinese Academy of

Social Sciences of

The People's Republic of China

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**Education and Culture** 

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