

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN ABET of the USA
and the

Agencia Centroamericana de Acreditación de Programas de Arquitectura y de Ingeniería of Central America
April 16, 2012

Whereas:

ABET acknowledges its commitment to enhancing the quality of applied science, computing, engineering, and technology education and has extensive experience in accreditation in the United States.

The Agencia Centroamericana de Acreditación de Programas de Arquitectura y de Ingeniería (ACAAI) acknowledges its commitment to enhancing the quality of engineering and architecture education and to continuous improvement of the accreditation system of Central America (Belize, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama).

ABET and ACAAI are interested in promoting cooperation between the aforementioned organizations in the United States and Central America.

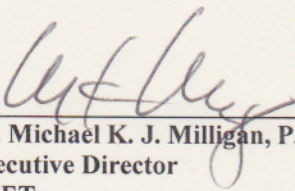
ABET and ACAAI agree to collaborate on matters related to engineering education and higher education accreditation activities.

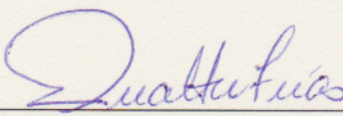
To establish linkages for cooperation, they agree to:

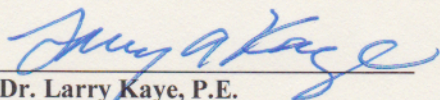
- Facilitate the exchange of representatives to observe both ABET's and ACAAI accreditation evaluation activities and the interchange of experiences between ABET and ACAAI.
- Collaborate in the development of accreditation workshops and seminars to promote accreditation principles and facilitate the training of Central America's engineering program evaluators.
- Promote and facilitate each other's participation in seminars and workshops about accreditation systems worldwide.
- Exchange information including documents, papers and surveys concerning accreditation processes and higher education quality assurance.
- Explore the feasibility of mutual recognition based on the collaboration, exchange, and assessment of their respective accreditation systems.
- Negotiate and mutually agree upon any expenses associated with the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding prior to the execution of any projects or services.

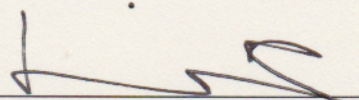
This agreement is valid effective this 16th day of April, 2012 and may be revised through mutual agreement of both parties or terminated by either party with thirty (30) days notice.

Signed this 16th of April, 2012


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