

# Memorandum of Understanding

By and Between the

**North American Institute for Oriental &  
Classical Studies**

and the

**Bhaktivedanta Research Center**

This agreement is made and entered into by and between **North American Institute for Oriental & Classical Studies (NIOS)**, a Tennessee, USA, non-profit educational corporation, and the **Bhaktivedanta Research Centre**, Kolkata, India, hereafter referred to as “BRC”, located at 110A, Motilal Nehru Road, Ballygunge, Kolkata – 700029 (Collectively the “Parties”).

The Bhaktivedanta Research Centre (BRC) (<http://www.brcglobal.org>) is a research center, and academic institute, affiliated to the **University of Mumbai** for Masters and PhD degree programs and to the **Savitribai Phule Pune University** for research.

BRC is dedicated to preserve, research and disseminate the rich history, philosophy and cultural heritage of India as well as to create awareness and foster cooperation on these studies internationally.

It has its branches in Kolkata, Mumbai, Pune, Puri and Vrindavan and is partnering with several academic institutions in India and across the globe such as **Oxford Center for Hindu Studies** (UK) and **National Philosophical Counselling Association** (USA).

The parties hereto agree as follows:

## **Facilitating Academic Research**

The immediate objective of this agreement is the development of cooperative efforts between NIOS and BRC that foster and facilitate academic research in the field of *Science, Psyche and Spirituality - The Encounter of Carl Gustav Jung with the Bhakti Siddhanta of Traditional India*. Recognizing that collaboration between the two institutions has the potential to make an invaluable contribution to research and academic excellence in this area and help the people of the world to become one in peace, friendship and prosperity with a sense of common cause, the parties desire to promote exchange between the faculty, scholars, professionals in various fields, research facilities, and archival materials of the two institutions.

Specific projects in areas of interest will be selected as a result of

coordination by NIOS and BRC at the appropriate academic and administrative level in each institution. As these projects are developed, each will require a specific written agreement made in advance, setting forth the terms and conditions thereof and executed by authorized representatives of both institutions.

### **General Provisions**

This MoU is not intended to and does not create any right, benefit or trust, responsibility, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or equity, by either party, its officers, employees, or agents against the other party, its officers, employees, or agents.

Nothing in this MoU obligates either party to commit or transfer any funds, assets, or other resources in support of projects or activities between the parties unless expressly stated in this agreement.

Both parties are entitled to jointly claim the credits of seminars, courses, research papers, conferences and any other publications as the outcome of various activities planned under this MoU.

~~The activities of this MoU must be carried out in accordance with appropriate laws and regulations existing in India.~~

If any funding is received by external agencies for supporting the activities planned under this MoU, it should be jointly utilized with mutual consent as per the requirement. Revenue collected from any type of activity under this MoU will be shared by both the parties depending upon the resources involved, and each party shall provide a full accounting to accurately share revenue collected. :

Dispute resolution: Any and all disagreement/differences/disputes arising hereunder shall be resolved amicably by the designated officers of both parties ~~empowered by Vice Chancellor / Director of both the parties.~~

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have executed two copies of this instrument, each of which shall be considered an original.

**NIOS**

**BRC**

**Signed by**

**Abhisheka Singh**  
President NIOS

Date:

**Signed by**

**Dr. Sumanta Rudra,**  
Dean Academics

Date:

## **ATTACHMENT A**

### **ADMINISTRATION OF PROGRAM AND CONTACT INFORMATION**

**NIOS** - Administration of this agreement is the direct responsibility of the Director. Academic responsibilities are coordinated by the Academic Director. Correspondence regarding these matters should be directed to:

**BRC** — Administration of this agreement and any academic responsibilities arising from it are the direct responsibility of the Dean of Academic Affairs. Correspondence regarding these matters should be directed to:

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