

**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA, AS REPRESENTED BY THE
DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF INDONESIA, AS REPRESENTED BY THE
MINISTRY OF THE STATE SECRETARIAT AND
BADAN PUSAT STATISTIK
AND
TETRA TECH INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AS THE
MANAGING CONTRACTOR OF AUSTRALIA AWARDS IN
INDONESIA
AND
THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA, AUSTRALIA
AND
UNIVERSITAS AIRLANGGA, INDONESIA**

**FOR COLLABORATION IN SUPPORTING DUAL MASTER'S
DEGREE IN ECONOMICS**

PURPOSE

The Government of Indonesia (GOI), represented by the Ministry of State Secretariat (KEMSETNEG) and Badan Pusat Statistik (BPS) and the Government of Australia (GOA), represented by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), and Tetra Tech International Development as the managing contractor of Australia Awards in Indonesia (Contractor), together with the University of Western Australia (UWA) in Australia and Universitas Airlangga (UNAIR) in Indonesia (together the 'Partners') are exploring opportunities for collaboration in supporting a Dual Master's Degree in Economics and Public Policy. This Letter of Understanding (LOU) sets out the Partners' intentions for the implementation of a dual Master's degree scholarship that allows access to existing dual degree arrangements between UNAIR and UWA. This LOU is not to be viewed as creating a partnership, trust or relationship of employment or contract and no Partner may act as agent of a Partner or in any way bind another Partner to any obligation.

BACKGROUND

Australia Awards in Indonesia (AAI) is the longest running international scholarship program in Indonesia. Following approval from the Program Coordinating Committee, from 2017 the AAI will offer a new scholarship modality through a Dual Degree Master's Program under the auspices of the Subsidiary Arrangement between the GOI and GOA relating to the Australia Awards in Indonesia that was signed on 3 July 2014 and Exchange of Letters pertaining to the Subsidiary Arrangement, dated 17 January 2018 and 23 January 2018 (known in this LOU as the 'Dual Degree Scholarship').

The GOI has identified a need for a Dual Master's Degree Program in Economics. The GOI proposes that eligible officials from the BPS will study at an Indonesian university

(UNAIR) for one year and an Australian university (UWA) for one year and graduate with Dual Master’s Degree: a Master of Science in Economics from UNAIR and Master of Public Policy from UWA (the ‘Dual Degree’).

PROGRAM OF STUDY

The Dual Degree Scholarship addresses the development objectives of GOI and will enhance the skills of the GOI’s professional workforce. In accordance with BPS’ focus on economics, the program of study eligible for the Dual Degree Scholarship is as follows:

Indonesian Master’s Program	Indonesian University	Australian Master’s Program	Australian University
Master of Economics (Magister Ilmu Ekonomi)	Universitas Airlangga (UNAIR)	Master of Public Policy CRICOS: 093562G	The University of Western Australia (UWA)

UNAIR and UWA have signed the following agreements about the academic delivery of the Dual Degree Program in Economics.

- A Memorandum of Understanding was first signed with UNAIR in 14 April 2010 and renewed for a further term of five (5) years (expires 7 November 2022).
- Articulation Agreement for a collaboration in Economics was signed in 14 April 2019 for further term of five (5) years (expires 15 April 2024).

The arrangements have been registered and approved in accordance with the requirements of the Indonesian Ministry of Education. UNAIR will ensure the duration of MOU and Articulation Agreement with UWA cover the duration of split site program until January 2025.

TARGET PARTICIPANTS

The Dual Degrees Scholarship will target employees of BPS. BPS is committed to supporting equal opportunities for both males and females to pursue higher education through the scholarship scheme. Up to five (5) Dual Degree Scholarships will be available.

BPS will nominate up to ten (10) AAI-eligible applicants for the Joint Selection Team (JST) panel to review. The JST panel will consist of two independent Australian and Indonesian academics chosen by the Contractor and will make the final decision on the allocation of AAI.

ALUMNI

As alumni of AAI, upon completion of their studies in Australia, recipients of the Dual Degree Scholarship are registered in DFAT’s alumni database and are eligible to take part in alumni activities.

DURATION

This LOU will commence from the date the Arrangement is signed and conclude on **31 January 2025**, unless extended by GOI and GOA in accordance with the relevant Subsidiary Arrangement, or unless terminated, as below, by either Partner by providing six months’ notice.

The arrangements in this LOU are dependent on the continuing existence of the Dual Degree Program. If the Dual Degree Program expires or is terminated, any of the Partners may terminate this LOU by notice in writing to all of the others.

Within the term of the LOU, it is anticipated that one intake of the Dual Degree Scholarship can be accommodated. The intake commences the Indonesian component in 2022 and the Australian component in 2024.

ELIGIBILITY

To apply for the Dual Degree Scholarship, scholarship applicants will:

- Have a minimum GPA of 2.9 (using a 4.0 scale) from relevant undergraduate programs from a tertiary institute in Indonesia or minimum GPA equivalent to that of 2.9 GPA in Indonesia from a tertiary institute outside Indonesia.
- Meet the minimum English language requirement of IELTS 5.5 or ITP TOEFL 525 prior to commencing their university study in Indonesia.
- Be endorsed by BPS.
- Submit relevant application forms.

To be eligible for the Dual Degree Scholarship, scholarship recipients will:

- Be recommended by the JST.
- Take the scholarship in the year offered.
- Participate in the pre-departure training organised for the AAI program at the prescribed time.

To enrol in UNAIR, scholarship recipients will:

- Fulfil the requirements set by UNAIR (GPA, English Language Proficiency Test, Tes Potensi Akademik).
- Successfully enrol in the Magister Ilmu Ekonomi.

To be eligible to transfer to UWA under the Dual Degree Program, scholarship recipients will:

- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0 (using a 4.0 scale) in the first year of study at UNAIR.
- Have met the published English language requirements for the year of admission in UWA.
- Apply through Australia Awards OASIS and be offered a place by UWA.
- Apply and obtain a valid Australian student visa.
- Obtain endorsement to study overseas from the Ministry of State Secretariat.
- Be medically fit to commence studies in Australia.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTNERS

Ministry of State Secretariat will:

- Facilitate the release of scholarship recipients from their duties in Indonesia and assist the scholarship recipients in securing the required Indonesian government travel documents for completing the Australian component of the Dual Degree Program.
- Provide oversight in the scholarship program design and implementation.
- In the event of a major dispute, consult with the Partners to find a solution.

BPS will:

- Provide evidence of appropriate levels of scholarships management and administration to DFAT (encompassing but not limited to initial selection, on award contact, monitoring, reporting and re-entry planning).
- Provide evidence of the availability of funding to finance the Indonesian component of the Dual Degree Scholarship in the year that scholarship recipients will commence Indonesian university studies to the Partners.
- Annually, provide proof that individual scholarship recipients will either be currently enrolled or eligible to enrol in the first year of a relevant Master's program at UNAIR for which there is a dual degree course option being offered as part of the scholarship scheme.
- Demonstrate open and transparent internal nomination and selection procedures that fully consider social justice (gender/disability).
- Provide scholarship recipients at UNAIR, who are not able to transfer to UWA, with the opportunity to complete the course in Indonesia and thereby gain a Master's award from UNAIR.
- Assist returning scholarship recipients to be able to contribute further to the economic development of Indonesia.

GOA will:

- Provide oversight of the Dual Degree Scholarship program design and implementation.
- In the event of a major dispute, consult with the Partners to find a solution.

The Contractor will:

- Facilitate a tailored Joint Selection Team selection process before the commencement of the Dual Degree Scholarship Indonesian component.
- Demonstrate open and transparent selection procedures that fully consider social justice (gender/disability).
- Provide a significant role in ensuring program implementation is at a high standard, including ensuring facilitation of sound relationships and program management approaches between all stakeholders (Ministry of State Secretariat, BPS, DFAT, and universities).
- For approved scholarship recipients, provide standard AAI entitlements.
- Organise and implement pre-departure training and workshops for scholarship recipients.
- Encourage Australian universities to provide opportunities for scholarship recipients to engage with relevant professional associations, and within the broader community and where this cannot be facilitated, ensure on-award enrichment activities are designed and implemented.
- Undertake ongoing monitoring and evaluation activities.
- Incorporate returnees into the broad alumni network and associated activities, including tailored programs for the awardees where possible.
- Assist with the Australian university placement for the scholarship recipients.
- Assist the visa application and health check for the scholarship recipients at the end of their Dual Degree Scholarship Indonesian component.
- Organise coordination meetings with the Partners as necessary.
- Provide periodic report on the progress of the Dual Degree Programs to the Program Coordinating Committee.

UNAIR will:

- Deliver the program: Master of Economics (Magister Ilmu Ekonomi) as previously agreed with BPS and UWA.
- Liaise with BPS to ensure that all the scholarship applicants put forward by the BPS already meet the administrative and academic requirements set by the university for entry to the master's programs.
- Provide sufficient guidance for the scholarship recipients in regard to their research topic selection and communicate the topics chosen by the scholarship recipients as early as practicable to UWA to ensure a smooth transition from the Indonesian component to the Australian component of the Dual Degree Program.
- Release the GPA of the scholarship recipients in a timely manner to provide sufficient time for processing applications by UWA.
- Communicate with the Partners periodically about the progress of the scholarship recipients and identify relevant issues in regards to the scholarship recipients' academic performance.
- Keep enrolling scholarship recipients who for any reason are unable to continue their study in Australia and grant them an UNAIR master's degree upon satisfactory completion of the study in Indonesia.
- Cooperate with the Contractor for monitoring and evaluation of the Dual Degree Scholarship.
- In the event of a major dispute, consult with the Partners to find a solution.
- Maintain health and safety standards consistent with its own best practices and the requirements of the law its jurisdiction (including regular safety training and instruction for its employees) and to provide a safe environment for all staff and students.

UWA will:

- Admit students to UWA in accordance with the requirements of the Dual Degree Program.
- Deliver the relevant courses of the program: Master of Public Policy as previously agreed with UNAIR and BPS.
- Endeavour to issue letters of offer for suitably qualified scholarship recipients in a timely manner to allow sufficient time to process the student visa application.
- Communicate with UNAIR to provide sufficient guidance for the scholarship recipients in regard to their research topic selection to ensure a smooth transition from the Indonesian component to Australian component of the Dual Degree Program.
- Subject to privacy requirements, communicate periodically with the Partners about the progress of the scholarship recipients and identify relevant issues in regards to the scholarship recipients' academic performance.
- Cooperate with the Contractor for monitoring and evaluation of the Dual Degree Program.
- In the event of a major dispute, consult with the Partners to find a solution.
- Provide opportunities for scholarship recipients to engage with relevant professional associations, and within the broader community.
- Maintain health and safety standards consistent with its own best practices and the requirements of the law its jurisdiction (including regular safety training and instruction for its employees) and to provide a safe environment for all staff and students.

TIMELINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION

No.	Activity	Proposed Date
1.	Receive endorsement from Program Coordinating Committee	Dec 2020
2.	Finalise arrangements with the involved Partners	September 2021
3.	Promotion activities for the Dual Degree and commence internal selection (managed by BPS)	Oct – Dec 2021
4.	Selection of awardees by AAI Joint Selection Team	March 2021
5.	Registration at UNAIR	June 2022
6.	Start of lectures at UNAIR	September 2022
7.	Tentative start of pre-departure training	July 2023
8.	Start of Introductory Academic Program at UWA	January 2024
9.	Start of lectures at UWA	February 2024
10.	Completion of study in Australia and return to Indonesia	December 2024

FUNDING

The costs of the Dual Degree Scholarship will be split between GOI (BPS) and GOA (DFAT). BPS will fund the first year of the Dual Degree Scholarship in Indonesia, commencing in 2022.

BPS will use its budget to fund the Indonesian component of the Dual Degree Scholarship, consisting of: the internal selection process, the required promotions, the transportation and accommodation costs of up to 10 eligible applicants during the JST selection, all UNAIR tuition fees, the stipend, and relocation to and from UNAIR, commencing in 2022 for up to 5 scholarship recipients to study in Indonesia for one year. In the case of scholarship recipients failing to continue their studies in Australia (due to academic or personal circumstances), BPS will continue to provide funding for the scholarship recipients to complete their degree in Indonesia.

GOA (DFAT) will fund the Australian component of the Dual Degree Scholarship through AAI, consisting of: the JST interview and English test, pre-departure training, mobilisation to Australia, all UWA tuition fees, Overseas Student Health Cover, stipend, and return airfare to Indonesia upon completion of the study period in Australia, commencing in 2024 for up to 5 scholarship recipients to study in Australia for one year. All costs associated with the administration of the Dual Degree Scholarship will be funded under the routine Australia Awards in Indonesia program budget. GOA (DFAT) will reallocate the unspent funding of unsuccessful Dual Degree Scholarship recipients to other AAI activities in the relevant financial year.

MONITORING AND EVALUATION

GOA (DFAT) will conduct monitoring and evaluation of the Dual Degree Scholarship. The Partners will cooperate with the monitoring and evaluation of the Dual Degree Scholarship.

Subject to the privacy requirements applicable in each country, the Partners will contribute the following data for the monitoring and evaluation of the Dual Degree Scholarship:

1.	Number of shortlisted applicants and their geographical, employment, gender, and disability background	BPS	January 2022
2	Number of scholarship recipients and their geographical, employment, gender, and disability background	AAI	May 2022
3.	Research topics approved by the Indonesian university in consultation with the Australian partner university ¹	UNAIR, UWA	April/May 2023
4.	Percentage of scholarship recipients eligible to transfer to Australian university partner at the end of the second semester of study in Indonesia	AAI	December 2023
5.	Provide first year transcripts to UWA	UNAIR	December 2023
6.	End of semester results in Australia	UWA	July and December 2024

DISPUTE RESOLUTION

If a dispute arises concerning the interpretation or implementation of this LOU, the Partners will settle amicably by mutual consultation or negotiation between the Partners.

In respect to its performance in Australia, this LoU is governed by and construed in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations of the State of Western Australia and, if applicable, the Commonwealth of Australia. In respect to its performance in Indonesia this Agreement is governed by and construed in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations of Indonesia.

AMENDMENTS AND TERMINATION

This Letter of Understanding may be amended at any time in writing by an Exchange of Letters signed by all of the Partners and may be terminated at any time in writing by giving six months' notice in an Exchange of Letters between the Partners.

The termination of this LOU shall allow for any participating students who have commenced at either institution at the date of the termination to complete their approved course of study.

KEY POINTS OF CONTACT

The following officers are the key points of contact in regards to the implementation of Dual Degree Scholarship for each Partner.

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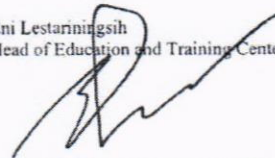
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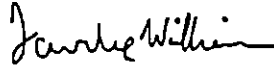
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