

## Memorandum of Understanding

### Between International Dryland Development Commission & The Library of Alexandria

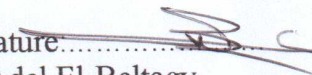
Where as the International Dryland Development Commission (hereinunder referred to as IDDC) is


- An autonomous nongovernmental organization founded in 1987 by individuals and institutions interested in sustainable development of the dry areas by fostering research collaboration and networking,
- Providing a global platform to concerned scientists/experts for exchange of information, and
- Having a *modus operandi* for networking by convening international scientific conferences, group discussions and seminars, and publishing and disseminating proceedings of these scientific deliberations widely to enhance awareness of individuals and institutions.

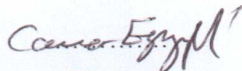
Whereas the aim of the Library of Alexandria (hereinunder referred to as Library) is to optimise procurement of knowledge and thus contribute to achieving sustainable development and improvement of livelihoods locally and globally.

The IDDC and Library, motivated by the common objective of fostering scientific knowledge and its optimum exchange and dissemination have agreed that:

1. The Library will serve as the host of IDDC and assist the IDDC by providing a mechanism for receiving funds raised by the IDDC and holding them in trust for IDDC for latter's use to implement its regional as well as global activities.
2. Jointly organize, at regular intervals, conferences, group discussions and seminars to promote science and technology for sustainable development of drylands.

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