



## **Supplementary Agreement between Ocean University of China and Auburn University to continue a Joint Center for Aquaculture and Environmental Sciences**

The agreement between Ocean University of China (OUC) and Auburn University (AU) to form a joint center for aquaculture and environmental sciences was signed in January of 2016. This document is a supplement to that agreement.

1. The agreement between OUC and AU to form a joint center for aquaculture and environmental science was for an initial period of 3 years. The agreement was signed on January-25, 2016 and expired on January-25, 2019. After discussion between the two institutions, the agreement will be extended to October-31, 2020.
2. Dr. Shuanglin Dong from Ocean University of China was nominated by both institutions to be the director until October-31, 2020. Dr. Joseph Tomasso and Dr. Qinfeng Gao from AU and OUC, respectively, were nominated as the Associate Directors.
3. The OUC-AU joint center funds projects to promote cooperation between the two institutions. The first round of the project was supported from January, 2017 to December, 2018. The second round of the project was supported from October, 2018 to October, 2019 and the period for the third round of the project will be from October, 2019 to October, 2020. For assessment, two progress reports are required for each project. The first is due within three months of the termination date of the project. The second report is due within two years of the termination date of the project. In the second report, a list of published papers, patents and submitted grant



proposals based on the funded work is included.

4. At the end of the year 2020, an overall detailed achievement report of the OUC-AU joint center will be submitted to both institutions for evaluation. The institutions will discuss whether the agreement should be renewed based on the evaluation of the achievements and cooperation.

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DATE:

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*for Steven Leath*

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UNIVERSITY**

**AND: OCEAN UNIVERSITY OF CHINA**

**ADMINISTRATIVE CONTACT**

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Re: Requesting Signature on Two Originals of the **Supplementary Agreement between Ocean University of China and Auburn University to continue a Joint Center for Aquaculture and Environmental Sciences between Ocean University of China, Fisheries College and Auburn University, School of Fisheries, Aquaculture & Aquatic Sciences**

Dear Qinfeng Gao

Dr. Joe Tomasso, School of Fisheries, Aquaculture & Aquatic Sciences, and Dr. Andrew Gillespie, Assistant Provost of International Programs send their greetings to you.

Per their request, please sign the **two attached originals** of the **Supplementary Agreement between Ocean University of China and Auburn University to continue a Joint Center for Aquaculture and Environmental Sciences between Ocean University of China, Fisheries College and Auburn University, School of Fisheries, Aquaculture & Aquatic Sciences** signed by Auburn University President Provost Bill Hardgrave **between Ocean University of China, School of Fisheries and Auburn University, School of Fisheries, Aquaculture & Aquatic Sciences.**

Once these agreements have been signed please send one of the fully signed agreements back to Auburn University in the enclosed return envelope. It is provided for your convenience and addressed to Dr. Andrew Gillespie, Assistant Provost for International Programs, Auburn University, 228 Foy Hall, 282 W. Thach Concourse, Auburn, Alabama, USA, 36849. Dr. Gillespie's office stores all agreements and will deliver a copy to **Dr. Joe Tomasso.**

Please keep the other signed original agreement for your records. We all look forward to working with you on this program.

Warmest regards,

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