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ANEXO - PROTOCOL OF INTENTIONS Nº 04/2024

PROTOCOL OF INTENTIONS Nº 04/2024, BETWEEN THE NORTHEAST STRATEGIC TECHNOLOGIES CENTER – CETENE AND MANCHESTER METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY.

THE NORTHEAST STRATEGIC TECHNOLOGIES CENTER - CETENE, a research unit of the Ministry of Science, Technology, and Innovation, located at Professor Luiz Freire Avenue, No. 01, in the city of Recife - PE, ZIP code 50740-545, qualified as a Scientific, Technological, and Innovation Institution (ICT of the Union), under the terms of Law No. 10,973/04, hereinafter referred to as CETENE, represented herein by its Director, Mrs. Giovanna Machado, appointed pursuant to MCTI Ordinance No. 284, of 24/01/2020, published in the Official Gazette of the Union of 28/01/2020, and **MANCHESTER METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY (THE UNIVERSITY)**, a higher education corporation established under the provisions of the Education Reform Act 1988 whose administrative office is at All Saints, Manchester, M15 6BH, United Kingdom, herein represented by its Director of Research and Innovation, Sam Gray, considering:

a) that **CETENE** is competent to carry out activities, programs, and research and development projects; provide specialized technical services; develop studies and propose guidelines for the formulation of policies or for the execution of programs in the field of technology; establish and maintain the exchange of scientific and technological information, as well as technology transfer with research and educational institutions, and other public and private entities, national or international; train human resources; issue certificates, reports, and technical opinions, as well as create standards in accordance with recognized national and international technical standards; transfer to society unique services and products resulting from its research and development activities, in compliance with applicable legal provisions; maintain and operate, directly or indirectly, offices, laboratories, and regional units; and create mechanisms for raising financial resources for research and increasing own revenues, according to its Internal Regulations approved by Ordinance No. 7,052, of 24/05/2023;

b) that **THE UNIVERSITY** has the institutional purpose of scientific research, according to its Internal Regulations approved by the board;

c) that both Institutions are interested in carrying out, in a coordinated manner and by mutual agreement, scientific research;

d) that common and/or competing activities are aligned with the objectives and guidelines of CETENE's innovation policy and THE UNIVERSITY's institutional objectives;

e) that they recognize the need and importance of consolidating this preliminary joint act, with the aim of uniting institutional knowledge and competencies to improve the execution of the institutional activities of each;

They hereby agree to conclude this **PROTOCOL OF INTENTIONS**, under the following conditions:

I. The signatories undertake to combine efforts with the aim of complementing their experiences in institutional areas of common or competing interest, without prejudice to their individual and independent actions;

II. During the validity of this Protocol of Intentions, the signatories may hold meetings as preliminary acts to define the scope of potential joint institutional action;


III. Interactions, when necessary, will preferably be conducted via video conference, with the aim of reducing the associated burdens;

IV. For the future execution of activities related to this Protocol of Intentions, the parties will develop a joint plan to define each project to be executed, with CETENE submitting it to prior institutional approval, with the initiation of the respective process and registration, according to internal formal procedures, defining the legal instrument to be implemented between the signatories to precisely define the object of the project, execution period, rights, obligations, and other conditions;

V. This Protocol of Intentions does not by itself create any legal obligation between the signatories and, thus, represents only a formal intention to unite efforts to improve the execution of their institutional activities, with a term of **12 (twelve) months** from the date of the last signature, after which it may be solemnly renewed for an equal period.

Giovanna Machado

On behalf of ICT/**CETENE**
Recife, ____ / ____ /2024.

DocuSigned by: **Sam Gray**

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On behalf of **THE UNIVERSITY**
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