

**AGREEMENT OF THE SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION BETWEEN THE NATIONAL
SCIENCE COUNCIL IN TAIPEI AND THE SWEDISH RESEARCH COUNCIL**

Signed on April 8, 2002
Entered into force on April 24, 2002

The National Science Council (NSC) in Taipei and the Swedish Research Council (VR) agree to develop a program of scientific cooperation according to the following principles:

1. The program will encompass science within the mutual competence of the two organizations. Specific areas will be selected for concentrated cooperation, as agreed by the Parties.
2. Modes of cooperation in the program may include:
 - joint research projects
 - seminars and workshops
 - exchanges of and visits by scientists
 - staff exchanges
3. Each party will bear the costs of its participation in the program following the principle of "sending side" pays, subject to funds being made available in accordance with the constitutional procedures of each country.
4. The program as a whole is expected to involve approximately the same level of effort by each Party but will not require an equal effort in each separate project.
5. When executed by both Parties, the agreement shall remain in force until either party notifies the other of its intention to terminate the agreement. The notification shall be made at least six months in advance of the termination of the agreement.

For the National Science Council

For the Swedish Research Council

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Place: Taipei
Date: April 8, 2002

Place: Stockholm
Date: April 24, 2002