

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

THE STATE OF NEW SOUTH WALES

AND

THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL

ON

WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

The State of New South Wales and the Ministry of Energy of the State of Israel (hereinafter referred as the "Participants");

Sharing their common interest in the economic and social development of their people, and **desiring** to promote and foster bilateral technical and academic cooperation in the spirit of partnership;

Recalling mutual discussions between both Participants with a view to enhancing cooperation in the field of Water Resources Management and Development;

Recognising that cooperation between the Participants on various aspects of Water Resources Management and Development will benefit the Participants in securing water resources for future generations;

Have reached the following understandings:

Paragraph 1

The Participants will work to enhance cooperation at the national, regional and international levels in the field of Water Resources Management and Development by collaborating and sharing experience and expertise in areas mutually decided upon, including techniques in the efficient use of water resources, recycling/re-use of wastewater, desalination, aquifer recharge and in-situ water conservation techniques, and water resource management.

Paragraph 2

1. The Participants may encourage activities such as the exchange of experts, study tours and other such activities, or any other activities as mutually decided by the Participants, in order to build capacities in the areas referred to in Paragraph 1.
2. The Participants will also encourage productive collaboration through commercial growth opportunities, cooperation in the technology sphere and their respective academic institutions, and research collaboration in the related fields.

Paragraph 3

Any activities carried out pursuant to this MOU will be carried out in accordance with the respective laws, regulations and procedures of the Participants.

Paragraph 4

Any activities undertaken pursuant to this MOU will be subject to the availability of funds.

Paragraph 5

Any differences concerning the interpretation or application of this MOU will be settled amicably through negotiations and consultations between the Participants.

Paragraph 6

This MOU may be modified by written mutual consent of the Participants.

Paragraph 7

This MOU is solely an expression of the Participants' intention, and does not create any legal or financial rights or obligations.

Paragraph 8

1. This MOU will come into effect on the date of signature. This MOU will remain in effect for a period of five (5) years and after which it will be automatically extended for further periods of five (5) years.
2. This MOU may be terminated by either Participant by giving at least 6 (six) months written notice to the other Participant.

3. The termination of this MOU will not affect any activities undertaken prior to the termination, unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Participants in writing.

Signed in Jerusalem on the 4th day of November 2019, which corresponds to the 6th day of Heshvan 5780, in the Hebrew calendar, in duplicate, in the English language, both texts being equally authentic.

the Hon. Melinda Pavey MP
Minister for Water, Property and Housing
Signing for The Crown in right of the State
of New South Wales

Dr Yuval Steinitz
Minister of Energy
On behalf of the Ministry of Energy of the
State of Israel