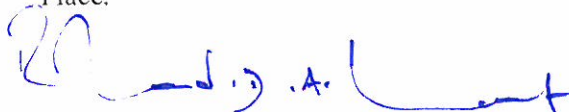


**Memorandum of Understanding**  
**UWC Changshu China – UWC Red Cross Nordic**

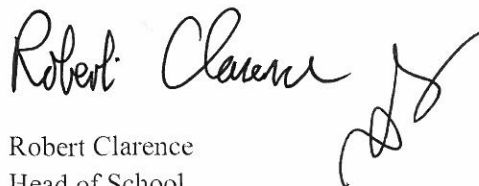
1. **Background:** UWC Changshu China has been given Final Approval at the UWC International Board Meeting (Canada, October 2014) to open as a UWC in 2015. UWC Red Cross Nordic has been invited by the UWC Changshu China founding team to draw up an MoU in order to build upon the historical partnership. Since opening in 1995, UWC Red Cross Nordic has played a supportive role in the work to establish a United World College in mainland China and has maintained strong relations with the Chinese National Committee and the Chinese Disabled People's Federation.
2. **Purpose:** to develop further the ties between the two sister Colleges and thereby become a vehicle for Sino-Norwegian cooperation - at regional and national levels - and the promotion of UWC values. This will be done through practical activities within education.
3. The MOU aims to be centred on the following **areas/activities**:
  - a) Teacher and student exchange programmes - teacher training is a central part of UWC Changshu's profile;
  - b) Support and contributions towards financial sustainability through Norwegian and Chinese sources of income to the Colleges;
  - c) Shared good practice including professional development through visits, the development of a College database, website design;
  - d) Gap year opportunities in China for RCN graduates;
  - e) The promotion of Chinese language and culture;
  - f) Short courses;
  - g) Education and participation for marginalized groups.
4. The Memorandum of Understanding aims also to involve activities and projects with **other partners**:
  - a) The Norwegian Red Cross and Red Cross Society of China;
  - b) The Confucius Institute in Bergen has provided UWC RCN with a teacher of Chinese language and culture over the last three years. The Confucius Classroom is a programme that may be established for activities related to Chinese language and culture in Sogn og Fjordane, enabled by CI Bergen/Hanban with UWC RCN as a centre for activities.
5. **Time frame**  
First phase: for a period of 2 years (from November 2014 to November 2016), followed by review and recommendations.
6. The MoU is set up on the foundation of regular **communications** between both Colleges.

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