

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE MALTA MEDICINES AUTHORITY (MALTA)
AND
THE GHANA STANDARDS AUTHORITY (GHANA)

The Malta Medicines Authority (MMA) of the Government of the Republic of Malta and the Ghana Standards Authority of the Government of the Republic of Ghana (hereinafter referred to as "Parties")

Guided by the willingness to develop, within the areas of their own competence, fruitful collaboration between their respective entities in the pharmaceutical sector and medicinal policy;

Taking into account the Memorandum of Understanding between the Malta Medicines Authority of the Government of the Republic of Malta and the Ghana Food and Drugs Authority of the Government of the Republic of Ghana on cooperation in the medicinal sector and signed in Valletta on 26 March 2019;

Taking into account the ensuing contacts between the two Agencies to develop a Memorandum of Understanding of collaboration in the field of medicines, emerging health technologies and policies on their use in the health sector;

With the aim of streamlining exchange of experiences to strengthen links between the two entities;

AGREE on the following arrangements:

Article 1

Parties will collaborate in the medicinal sector, on the basis of equality, reciprocity and mutual benefit.

The specific areas of cooperation shall be mutually determined, taking into account the interests of the Parties and shall be in line with applicable legislation in the respective territories.



Article 2

Parties shall use their best endeavours to promote mutual collaboration by means of:

1. exchange of information on standards, quality evaluation and testing of pharmaceutical products¹;
2. exchange of information on Good Manufacturing Practices and Good Clinical/Pharmacovigilance practice;
3. reciprocal visits of staff members of the Parties for training purposes;
4. such other forms of cooperation in the fields of pharmaceutical products, as may be mutually agreed upon.

Article 3

Areas of cooperation will include:

1. Cooperation in the area of the Malta Medicines Authority International Fellowship Programme. The key objectives of the MMA International Fellowship Programme are to:
 - strengthen skills, particularly within the pharmaceutical and life sciences sector;
 - contribute to the consolidation of expertise on emerging and challenging topics relevant to innovative therapies and technologies;
 - increase the capacity and level of research, innovation and development activity.
2. Other areas agreed by both Parties

Article 4

Parties will identify and communicate to each other structures and personnel responsible for the activities detailed in the above articles.

¹ Information divulged shall be in line with National and European Regulations.

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Article 5

The MMA will be offering the MMA International Fellowship Programme to two (2) applicants nominated by the Ghana Standards Authority. The application for the fellowship programme shall be in line with the Expression of Interest issued by the MMA.

To promote exposure to medicines regulatory systems, the MMA shall also offer internship posts with the Authority to two (2) applicants nominated by the Ghana Standards Authority. The duration of the internships shall be mutually agreed by both Parties.

Article 6

The activities as provided for by this Memorandum of Understanding will be implemented according to funds available in the respective budgets of the two Parties.

For the experts travelling abroad, commensurate to the provisions of article 2 of this Memorandum of Understanding, funding arrangements related to travel and accommodation will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

Article 7

The present Memorandum of Understanding shall come into effect from the date of its signing.

The Memorandum of Understanding shall remain effective for a period of five (5) years and shall be further renewed for a successive period of three (3) years, unless terminated by either Party giving at least six (6) months written prior notice to the date of expiry of its intention to terminate the Memorandum of Understanding.

Article 8

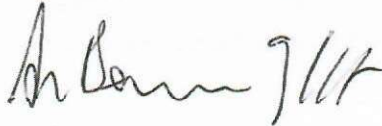
This Memorandum of Understanding may be modified by mutual consent of the Parties.

Any modification to the Memorandum of Understanding shall produce its effects through the procedures deemed necessary to this purpose.

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SIGNED in *Malta*
on the
28 February 2020

FOR THE MALTA MEDICINES
AUTHORITY (MALTA)



**Prof Anthony Serracino-
Inglott**
Chairman

SIGNED in *Accra*
on the
02 March 2020

FOR THE GHANA
STANDARDS AUTHORITY
(GHANA)



Prof Alex N. O. Dodoo
Director General