Proposal to Establish A Resource Sharing Network Among AUNILO Member Institutions.

Preamble

This short paper proposes the establishment of resource sharing network among libraries of AUNILO. The propose resource sharing networkencompasses an understanding and agreement among libraries of AUNILO to provide assistance and facilitation for all member institutions for **document delivery**, **inter library loan**services request, and **access to collection**at no or minimal expenses. The services to be requested and the information provision will be based on the agreed terms of reference and set guidelines for all member institutions.

Objectives

- 1. To provide wider access to academic & research resources to all communities/users of AUNILO libraries,
- 2. To support research on focused subject discipline not available in one member library but can be obtain from another,
- 3. To create understanding and closer collaboration among AUNILO member libraries on supporting institutional research.
- 4. To provide students staff mobility to access to wider network of Libraries within AUNILO and also beyond.

Rationale

- 1. Not one libraries in ASEAN can be considered as adequately resourced,
- 2. To support small and emerging university libraries for resources needed to support teaching, learning and research
- 3. Each library within AUNILO has collection strength and weakness. By having this cooperation and support ensures comprehensive access to bigger pool of resources within the region.
- 4. Demand from some faculty members and students to access to the physical resources in other university libraries within the region.
- 5. To reduce expenses on ILL & DDS for material that can be located within the region,

- 6. Offering a meaningful collaboration among AUNILO member institution in support of wider access to resources within AUNILO
- 7. Some libraries are currently charging for the Document delivery and ILL services to member institutions,
- 8. The need to establish close collaboration initiative among AUNILO members.

Terms of Reference

- 1. The network participating institutions shall be committed to the providing excellent services for members of this collaborative project
- 2. All member shall allow member of AUNILO library user to access to the collection,
- 3. Each library are required to adhere to the agreed to policy &guidelines;
- 4. Each institution to promote the services vigorously to the respective community
- 5. Setting a sub Committee on Resource sharing to oversee the systematic implementation of the project
- 6. This resource sharing initiative is to be revised within certain timeframe.

Conclusion

This initiative will undoubtedly create opportunities for AUNILO member institution for wider and rich resourced base to support research. It is expected to provide further enhanced research and yield institutional reputation. At the same time efficient services can be expected.

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