

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

BRAZILIAN INSTITUTE FOR WEB SCIENCE

And

THE WEB SCIENCE TRUST

WHEREAS the Web Science Trust (hereafter referred to as “WST”) is a company incorporated under the laws of England and Wales, registered with company number 06634408, whose registered office is *c/o* Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom (UK) LLP, 40 Bank Street, Canary Wharf, London, E14 5DS, and which is registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales under registration number 1133507.

WHEREAS the WST, and THE Brazilian Institute for Web Science (hereafter referred to as “INCT Web Science”), to further the development of international cooperation in accordance with a mutual interest in a program of academic activities in the subject of Web Science, and for the purpose of establishing a long-term mutually beneficial association, the WST and “INCT Web Science” join in the following memorandum of understanding (hereafter referred to as the “MOU”) and thereby become a member of the Web Science Trust Network of Labs (hereafter referred to as the “WSTNet”). A member of WSTNet is a research laboratory or group, based at University or other research institution, that is committed to supporting WST and the Web Science agenda.

NOW THEREFORE, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

ARTICLE ONE

1. WST and INCT Web Science agree to promote educational and research cooperation between the two organizations and within WSTNet on the basis of mutual respect for each other’s autonomy, in conformity with the laws and regulations in force in each country and institution, and within their respective available resources.

ARTICLE TWO

2. WST and INCT Web Science agree to exercise reasonable endeavours to undertake activities as a WSTNet member, in accordance with the attached Letter of Agreement (Annex 1).

ARTICLE THREE

3. WST and INCT Web Science agree to exercise reasonable endeavours to develop the forms of cooperation described in the Letter of Agreement (Annex 1) between the two organizations and with the other laboratories involved in WSTNet.

ARTICLE FOUR

4. Both parties affirm their commitment to the principles of equal opportunity and nondiscrimination. Participation in the activities described in this MOU and any appurtenant Letters of Agreement, shall be based solely on the scholarly or academic level of ability and performance of the candidates.

ARTICLE FIVE

5. WSTNet members will each use their reasonable endeavors (subject to applicable law) to facilitate the entry into, stay in, and exit from the host country for the participants in the programs within the framework of this and any appurtenant MOU.

ARTICLE SIX


6. Whilst this MOU is not intended to be legally binding, any legal issues arising out of it shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of England. All disputes arising out of and in connection with this MOU shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England.

ARTICLE SEVEN

7. This MOU becomes effective on the date of its signing by the authorized representatives of both institutions. It shall be effective for three years thereafter and then be reviewed prior to signing any further memorandum. The participation and contribution of INCT Web Science to WSTNet will be reviewed annually according to the commitments detailed in the Letter of Agreement. This MOU may be terminated by either party by giving at least six months written notice to the other party.

ARTICLE EIGHT

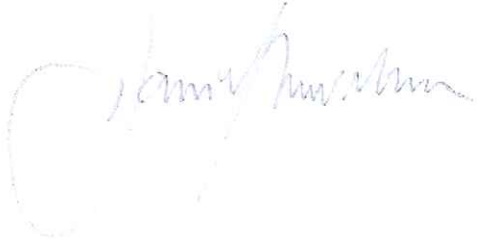
8. This MOU may be executed in counterparts and each such counterpart taken together, shall be deemed one and the same instrument.



Signed by WEB SCIENCE TRUST acting
by Sir John Taylor, Chair of Trustees, in
the presence of:



Signed by the Brazilian Institute for Web
Science acting by Prof. Dr. Carlos José Pereira de Lucena,
General Coordinator, in the presence of:



Prof. Daniel Schwabe

SUSAN DAVIES



ADMINISTRATION MANAGER
WEB SCIENCE TRUST

29.11.2011

ANNEX 1

WSTNet Letter of Agreement

As a member of WSTNet, labs are expected to meet a number of requirements as described below:

1. Labs should display the WST logo and their affiliation on their websites.
2. Labs should publicise WST activities through their institutions and on websites.
3. Lab Directors, or their representatives if appropriate, are required to attend the annual WSTNet meeting. This meeting is to be hosted by a WSTNet member and will be organised by WST in cooperation with the host.
4. Labs should be represented at WebSci conferences and support the attendance of their students. Students should also be encouraged to submit papers to the conference.
5. Labs should support the attendance of their students at WebSci summer schools, which will be hosted by a WSTNet member.
6. Labs should hold or host at least one Web Science event per year. This could include the WSTNet annual meeting, the WebSci Summer School, the WebSci conference or other workshops or meetings. Events should be publicised through WST in addition to local marketing.
7. Labs should take part in the WST Distinguished Lecture series and hold a lecture each year. Lectures should be either live streamed, or recorded to be published online through WST and their own institution.
8. Labs should inform WST of any news stories or publications of interest for publicising through WST.
9. Labs should actively seek to work with other WSTNet members to develop joint research activities in Web Science.
10. Labs should actively seek opportunities to engage in Web Science research and thought leadership and to obtain funding for Web Science.

Assessment of WSTNet Member contribution

The contribution of WSTNet Members to Web Science and WST will be appraised annually by WST and, as stated in Article 8 of the Memorandum of Understanding, membership may be terminated if the member is not believed to have made a satisfactory contribution. The assessment will be made on the basis of the WSTNet commitments detailed above and the contribution described in the Letters of Agreement.