

**Memorandum of Understanding**  
**between**  
**the International Peace Institute (IPI)**  
**and**  
**the International Gas Union (IGU)**

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**WHEREAS** the International Peace Institute (hereinafter referred to as “IPI”) is dedicated to promoting the prevention and settlement of conflicts between and within states by strengthening international peace and security institutions. To achieve its purpose, IPI employs a mix of policy research, convening, publishing and outreach.

**WHEREAS** the International Gas Union (hereinafter referred to as “IGU”) is a worldwide non-profit organisation with the mission to advocate natural gas as an integral part of a sustainable global energy system, and to promote the political, technical and economic progress of the gas industry;

**BUILDING UPON** previous collaboration between IGU and IPI in the field of energy and security;

**CONSIDERING** that it is within their common interest to enhance their cooperation;

**DESIRING** to establish a mutually-beneficial cooperation on energy and security;

**NOW THEREFORE**, IPI and IGU (hereinafter referred to collectively as “the Parties”), represented by the President of IPI and the President and Secretary General of IGU, have entered into the present Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as “MoU”).

**Article I**  
**Purpose**

1.1 The purpose of this MoU is to provide a general framework for cooperation between the Parties governing collaborative efforts on projects and activities, pursuant to which the Parties may identify areas of common interest and priorities.

1.2 In recognition of and with respect for each other's respective mandates, competencies and objectives, the Parties commit themselves to cooperating on the basis of exchange of relevant information, expertise and viewpoints in order to realize potential synergies, enhance public dialogue and endeavour to implement common activities, as set forth in Article II below.

  
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## **Article II** **Areas of Cooperation**

The possible areas of cooperation identified by the Parties are listed below. Additional areas may be subsequently agreed upon by the Parties.

- 2.1 The Parties will co-organize meetings on geo-strategic issues related to energy and security;
- 2.2 IGU will make available study work and, to the extent possible, expertise from its professional network for use in IPI's energy and security programme and Task Force on Energy and Security, while IPI will share its relevant work with IGU;
- 2.3 The Parties will establish and stimulate a platform to promote, discuss and co-ordinate activities related to energy and security;
- 2.4 The collaboration will include periodic (and/or on-demand) briefings on issues of strategic interest to both parties;
- 2.5 Through established channels, the Parties will exchange information on their activities on a regular basis;
- 2.6 IPI will assist IGU in facilitation of access to geo-strategic players, while IGU will facilitate contacts to relevant actors dealing with energy issues;
- 2.7 The Parties will, at their own discretion, invite each other to participate in relevant meetings and conferences, working committees or task forces.

## **Article III** **Implementation**

- 3.1 The Parties agree to carry out their respective responsibilities in accordance with the provisions of this MoU. The Parties agree to join efforts and to maintain a close working relationship in order to achieve the objectives of collaboration under the present MoU.
- 3.2 Specific activities in the above-mentioned areas of cooperation will be negotiated, agreed upon, and approved on the basis of the Parties' respective work programmes. Activities will be jointly designed as projects.
- 3.3 As applicable, each project shall contain the terms and conditions for its implementation, including, but not limited to, clear deliverables, time frames and funding arrangements, specified in a separate project document to be agreed upon and signed by both Parties.

3.4 Project documents may be modified at any time by written agreement of the Parties through their MoU Focal Points designated in Article IV.

3.5 The Parties shall refrain from any action that may adversely affect the interests of the other Party and shall fulfil their commitments with fullest regard for the terms and conditions of this MoU and the objectives of the IGU and IPI.

3.6 This MoU does not create any resource or administrative liability for either Party.

#### **Article IV** **MoU Focal Points**

4.1 The Parties have designated MoU Focal Points, as indicated below, to plan and develop activities under this MoU and ensure its proper implementation:

IPI:

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IGU c/o Statoil, P.O. Box 3, 1330 Fornebu. Norway  
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Email: matsfre@statoil.com

#### **Article V** **Intellectual Property rights**

5.1 The Parties agree that there will be no joint intellectual property rights.

5.2 Entitlement to all intellectual property rights, including but not limited to, patents, copyrights and trademarks, with regard to materials produced and published by either of the Parties pursuant to the provisions of the present MoU shall be agreed upon in advance in writing by both Parties.

## **Article VI**

### **Reporting requirements**

6.1 The Parties shall keep each other informed of all relevant activities pertaining to this collaboration and shall hold consultations as appropriate, in order to evaluate the progress in the implementation of this MoU and to revise and develop new plans for current or prospective activities.

## **Article VII**

### **General Provisions**

7.1 **Entry into force and duration:** This MoU shall enter into force upon signature by both Parties and will remain in effect for a period of three years. This MoU will be automatically renewed at the end of the term for a successive period of three years unless terminated by the Parties in accordance with the provisions specified in 7.3.

7.2 **Amendments:** This MoU may be amended only by written agreement of both Parties.

7.3 **Termination:** This MoU may be terminated by mutual agreement of the Parties or by either Party providing ninety days advance written notice to the other. In any such event, the Parties shall take all necessary actions as required to promptly and in an orderly manner terminate any on-going activities or projects carried out under this MoU in a cost-effective manner.

7.4 **Settlement of disputes:** Any dispute arising out of or in connection with this MoU shall be settled by amicable and good-faith consultations and negotiations between the Parties.

7.5 **Privileges and immunities:** Nothing in this MoU shall be deemed to be a waiver, express or implied, of any of the privileges and immunities of IPI or IGU, including their respective Secretariats.

7.6 Unless expressly authorised in writing by the other Party, neither Party shall in any manner whatsoever, use the name, emblem or official seal of the other Party in connection with its business or otherwise.

7.7 The Parties are recognized to be legally separate and independent of each other. Neither Party has the authority to act on behalf of the other, unless specifically agreed upon.

7.8 This MoU does not create legally binding obligations between the Parties.

**Article VIII**  
**Notices**

8.1 Any notices required by this MoU shall be given in writing and delivered to the following addresses:

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or at such other address as may be designated in accordance with the terms of this notice provision.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have signed this MoU in two (2) originals in the English language on the date set forth below:

**For IGU**

Signature: -----

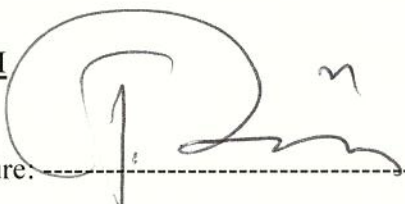
Mr. Jérôme Ferrier  
President

Signature: -----

Mr Pål Rasmussen  
Secretary General

Date: 23/3-2015

**For IPI**

Signature: -----

Mr. Terje Rød-Larsen  
President

Date: 8/4 2015

