

ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN THE INTERCHANGE ASSOCIATION AND
THE ASSOCIATION OF EAST ASIAN RELATIONS
FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FRAMEWORK OF THE COOPERATION ON THE
MEDICAL PRODUCTS REGULATION

THE INTERCHANGE ASSOCIATION and THE ASSOCIATION OF EAST ASIAN RELATIONS (hereinafter referred to as “Both Sides”), having regard to paragraph 3 (7) of the Arrangement between the Interchange Association and the Association of East Asian Relations for the Establishment of the Respective Overseas Offices of 26 December 1972, shall cooperate with each other in order to obtain necessary consent from the relevant authorities of Both Sides with regard to the matters as described below.

1. Both Sides will cooperate to establish a framework for cooperation on medical products regulation (hereinafter referred to as “the Framework”) to provide a platform for cooperation on medical products regulation issues of mutual interest and to enhance mutual understanding with confidence. For this purpose, the Interchange Association will request the relevant authority of Japan, namely, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW), and the Association of East Asian Relations will request the relevant authority of Taiwan, namely, the Taiwan Food and Drug Administration, Ministry of Health and Welfare (TFDA), for their cooperation.
2. Both Sides will share with each other under the Framework, the experiences of the relevant authorities of Both Sides in the implementation of medical products regulation.
3. Both Sides will strengthen cooperation under the Framework through such activities as conducting seminars and workshops on medical products regulation in cooperation with the relevant authorities.
4. Both Sides can invite experts to the Framework when necessary.
5. Both Sides can establish sub-group(s) for specified program activities under the Framework when necessary.
6. The Framework will take up medical products regulation, but it will not take up health insurance, price and reimbursement issues.
7. For the purpose of the cooperation as provided for in paragraphs 1 through 6 above, Both Sides will hold an annual meeting of the Framework and any other meeting as deemed necessary, unless Both Sides otherwise agree.

8. Each Side will communicate effectively with the relevant authority of that Side to facilitate the preparation of the annual meetings and the exchange of information and relevant inquiries under the Framework.
9. This Arrangement will enter into force on the date of signature.
10. This Arrangement is made in duplicate in the English language.

In witness whereof, the representative of the Interchange Association and the representative of the Association of East Asian Relations signed this Arrangement in Taipei on 5 November 2013.

FOR THE INTERCHANGE ASSOCIATION:

FOR THE ASSOCIATION OF EAST ASIAN
RELATIONS: