

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON ANTARCTIC GATEWAY COOPERATION

**between the
GOVERNMENT OF TASMANIA
and the**

FRENCH POLAR INSTITUTE PAUL-EMILE VICTOR

PREAMBLE

1. The Government of Tasmania wishes to offer optimal conditions for operators using Hobart as a gateway for their Antarctic activities,
2. The French Polar Institute Paul-Emile Victor ('IPEV') is the lead agency for the French Antarctic Programme. It implements French Antarctic logistics from Hobart's port to Dumont d'Urville Station by delegation of the French Southern and Antarctic Territories (TAAF),
3. The Government of Tasmania and IPEV, (the 'Participants') are mutually committed to maintaining their long-standing, Hobart-based Antarctic gateway cooperation in support of France's Antarctic activities,
4. The Participants recognize that the Tasmanian Polar Network plays an important role in facilitating the supply of gateway products and services,
5. The Participants also acknowledge the commitments identified in the *'Memorandum of Agreement on Antarctic Cooperation between the Australian Antarctic Division and the French Polar Institute Paul-Emile Victor'* signed in Hobart on 19 June 2012.

AIMS

6. Within a spirit of cooperation and collaboration, the Participants have mutually decided to facilitate France's Antarctic activities through commercial provision of goods and services, as well as support France's use of Australia's Antarctic Gateway in Hobart (hereinafter "the Gateway"), and highlight the Gateway's significance and promote its development.

COOPERATIVE PROJECTS

7. To advance these aims the Participants are mutually committed to:
 - 7.1 closer collaboration on, and optimizing opportunities for, the French Polar Institute Paul-Emile Victor's Antarctic activities through use of the Gateway;
 - 7.2 closer collaboration on, and optimizing opportunities for, cooperation to promote Gateway goods and services and personnel exchanges;
 - 7.3 providing all reasonable efforts to facilitate travel and related activities of the other Participants in their home country, where they relate directly to achieving the aims of this Memorandum; and
 - 7.4 ensuring that neither participant bears a disproportionate cost in achieving close Gateway cooperation.

ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

8. The Participants will establish appropriate mechanisms to advance the commitments set out above, and each will report to their respective governments and institutions on their individual progress in advancing this Memorandum's aims.
9. This Memorandum of Understanding ('Memorandum') is a document which embodies the Participants' understandings and does not create legally binding rights or obligations.

ADDITIONAL SCHEDULES ON ANTARCTIC GATEWAY COOPERATION

10. To further this Memorandum's commitments the Participants will develop individual schedules relating to areas of cooperation. These schedules will be implemented following mutual consent by the Participants. They will come into effect from the date of signature by the Participants.
11. In developing such schedules, the Participants recognise the respective roles to be played by the IPEV, the Antarctic Tasmania business unit of the Tasmanian Department of State Growth and the Tasmanian Polar Network.

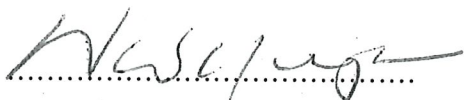
RESOLUTION OF DIFFERENCES

12. The Participants will work directly to ensure the success of this Memorandum, and to amicably resolve any differences that may arise in relation to its interpretation or application.

FINAL PROVISIONS

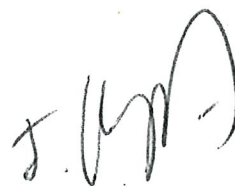
13. This Memorandum will enter into effect for a period of five years from the date of signature by both Participants, with the opportunity to extend the period of this Memorandum time by mutual agreement of both Participants. The Memorandum will be subject to periodic review to ensure that it remains relevant and such reviews may occur at the request of either Participant.
14. This Memorandum may also be amended at any time by the mutual consent of the Participants through an exchange of letters between the Participants.
15. Either Participant may terminate this Memorandum at any time by providing six months' written notice to the other Participant.

For the Government
of Tasmania



Hon Will Hodgman MP.
Premier of Tasmania

For the French Polar Institute
Paul-Émile Victor



Dr Jérôme Chappellaz
Directeur de l'IPEV

Date:

Place: Brest, France

Date: 21 Nov 2019

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