MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.

between

the University of Córdoba, Spain

and

the University of Birmingham, UK

on

Research and Academic Collaboration

PREAMBLE

To promote the advancement of international understanding, academic excellence, dissemination of learning and strengthening cultural ties, the University of Birmingham, especially the School of Computer Science and the University of Córdoba, especially the Doctorate Programme on Engineering and Technology attached to the UCO Doctorate School (EDUCO) wish to pursue collaboration on academic and research related activities based on the principle of reciprocity.

The University of Córdoba (UCO) and the University of Birmingham (UoB)

propose the following:

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Both institutions are interested in collaboration in research and PhD activities in the areas of machine learning and pattern recognition.

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The parties propose to focus their cooperation on the following objectives:

- Exchange of academic staff and students for research and PhD activities for limited periods of time in compliance with the clauses in force in the two Countries and with the Universities internal regulations in a joint effort to overcome possible administrative and procedural differences
- Joint supervision of PhD thesis
- Joint organization of research and training activities
- Exchange of academic information and materials

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The development and implementation of each exchange/activity based on this agreement shall be separately discussed and determined by both universities and when signed by both parties shall form appendices to this Memorandum of Understanding or separate agreements. Both universities shall use their best efforts to find financial sources for carrying out the activities.

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Nothing in this Memorandum shall diminish the full autonomy of either institution, or impose constraints on either party in carrying out activities under this Memorandum.

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In the first instance, Dr. Peter Tino, shall be the representative of UoB and Prof. Dr. César Hervás Martínez shall be the representative for UCO to realize this Memorandum.

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This Memorandum records the understanding between the parties and is not intended to be a legally binding document and shall not be enforceable in any court of law. The parties to this Memorandum shall not be deemed to be in breach of this understanding or otherwise liable to any party in any manner whatsoever for any failure or delay in performing or initiating the activities proposed in this Memorandum.

For the University of Birmingham, UK

Professor Michael Sheppard, Provost and Vice-Principal

For the University of Córdoba, Spain

Professor José Manuel Roldán Nogueras, Rector