



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

A commitment to partnership between

Exercise & Sports Science Australia (ESSA) The British Association of Sport and Exercise Sciences (BASES)

1. Purpose

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) outlines the defined agreed collaborative relationship between Exercise & Sports Science Australia (ESSA) and the British Association of Sport and Exercise Sciences (BASES) for the purpose that enhance the activities of each organisation and foster co-operation in an international context for the benefit of all professions and professionals involved within the respective organisations.

2. Background

- 2.1. Exercise & Sports Science Australia (ESSA) is the peak professional body representing higher education qualified exercise and sports science professionals, academics and researchers across Australia. ESSA is the recognised provider of an exercise and sports science quality assurance accreditation for the professions. ESSA's mission is to provide national leadership and advocacy on key issues relating to exercise and sports science, and to provide support for its members and the community through fostering excellence in professional practice, education and training, and research to enhance the health and performance of all Australians.
- 2.2. The British Association of Sport and Exercise Sciences (BASES) is the professional body for sport and exercise sciences in the UK. BASES' vision is

to deliver excellence in the sport and exercise sciences. Its mission is to lead the advancement of knowledge and evidence-based practice within the UK's sport and exercise sciences for the benefit of human performance, health and education. BASES' aim is to develop and enhance professional and ethical standards in the sport and exercise sciences through a number of strategic objectives.

2.3. Both Associations are Foundational Full Members of the International Confederation of Sport and Exercise Science Practice (ICSESP).

3. Collaboration

- 3.1. Global Presence for Members
 - 3.1.1. Each partner agrees to recognise their global counterparts, and link to the partner organisations' websites.
- 3.2. Member activities
 - 3.2.1. Each partner organisation agrees to recognise each other's membership status to allow for full equal access to continuing professional development and conference.

Collaboration 3.3.

- 3.3.1. Each partner organisation agrees to offer continuing education registration to partner organisations' members at the same or reduced rate as that offered to the local member (for a comparable membership category).
- 3.3.2. Each partner organisation agrees to offer a BASES/ESSA conference exchange. See separate exchange MOU for details.
- 3.3.3. Each partner organisation agrees, when beneficial, to collaborate on position statements and roundtable papers.
- 3.4. An up-to-date version of this MOU will be published on the ESSA and BASES websites and will be communicated to both BASES and ESSA members via appropriate communication mediums.

4. Resource implications

4.1. Any costs incurred by an organisation in the implementation of this MOU will be paid by that organisation unless a prior agreement outlining a transfer/ division of expenses to partner organisations has been agreed.

5. Review

- 5.1. This MOU will be reviewed at least annually by both partner organisations.
- 5.2. This MOU can be amended at any time upon unanimous agreement.

6. Confidentiality

- 6.1. Each organisation will comply with any applicable privacy legislation in their jurisdiction regarding any personal information they receive about members of the other partner organisation. This provision will survive termination of this MOU.
- 6.2. Each partner organisation agrees not to disclose any information or documents which comes to its knowledge or into its possession by reason of this MOU which the other partner organisation has explicitly or implicitly indicated as confidential unless otherwise required pursuant to judicial or legislative authority in the respective jurisdiction. This provision will survive termination of this MOU.

7. Duration

- This MOU will be effective immediately upon signing below.
- 7.2. Either party may terminate this MOU in writing at any time with 60 days' notice required.

8. Commencement

In witness to this agreement, the following individuals append their signatures:

Signed on behalf of ESSA

Signed on behalf of BASES

Anita Hobson-Powell

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CEO, ESSA

23/1/23

Ian Wilson

Executive Director, BASES

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