MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

A commitment to partnership between

Exercise & Sports Science Australia (ESSA)
and
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’ mission is to Promoting excellence in sport and exercise sciences.

3. Collaboration

3.1. Global Presence for Members

3.1.1. A MOU will be communicated to both BASES and ESSA members via appropriate communication mediums.
3.1.2. 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.

3.3. 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).

3.3.1. Each partner organisation agrees to offer a BASES/ESSA conference exchange. See separate exchange MOU for details.

3.3.2. ESSA partner organisation agrees, when beneficial, to collaborate on position statement and roundtable papers.

3.4. Global sharing of information

3.4.1. Each partner organisation agrees to provide each other information regarding ethics and disciplinary decision matters where the person is a member of both organisations on the receipt of an appropriate authority from the person.

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.

Commencement

Signed on behalf of ESSA
Name: Nathan Reeves
Signature: 
Date: 05 05 2017

Signed on behalf of BASES
Name: Dr Keith Tolfrey
Signature: 
Date: 28 April 2017