



Memorandum of Understanding ASHRAE and JSRAE

Founded in 1894, ASHRAE, Atlanta, Georgia advances the arts and sciences of heating ventilating, air-conditioning and refrigeration to serve humanity and promote a sustainable world.

The Japan Society of Refrigerating and Air Conditioning Engineers, JSRAE, was founded as the Japanese Association of Refrigeration, JAR, in 1925 in order to develop and disseminate refrigerating and freezing technology and related scientific technologies. Since then it has served nearly 90 years as a non-profit academic organization in a field of refrigeration, air conditioning, food refrigeration and related science and technology in Japan.

ASHRAE and JSRAE agree to support the Memorandum of Understanding to advance and promote the mutual interests of their respective members. We are committed to working together toward on the following activities and goals:

CONSISTENT LEADERSHIP COMMUNICATION

Recognizing the importance of communication in organizational collaboration, both organizations commit to hold a liaison meeting annually (either in person or via conference call) of designated ASHRAE/JSRAE senior representatives to:

- Ensure ongoing advancement of collaborative projects.
- Keep each respective organization informed of major initiatives.
- Discuss new opportunities for collaboration.

ASHRAE/JSRAE shall take responsibility for initiating the first annual liaison meeting. Action items with assigned responsibilities shall be recorded at each meeting. The parties responsible for ensuring this MOU is actively pursued through the term of the agreement are:

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CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

Each organization agrees to provide the other with a meeting invitation and one complimentary VIP registrations to the primary annual meeting.

ASHRAE and JSRAE agree to explore opportunities to provide speakers at the other organization's meetings to help provide updates and perspectives on technologies and trends of mutual interest.

Where mutually beneficial, each organization shall help publicize the other organization's meetings and promote attendance.

INTERSOCIETY COLLABORATION

ASHRAE and JSRAE agree to coordinate promotion of joint meetings of respective members. Exchange of contact information will be considered as one way to accomplish this objective.

ADVOCACY

Where mutually beneficial and to the extent allowed by laws and corporate policies, ASHRAE and JSRAE agree to work together on common public affairs goals and ideologies. During annual liaison meetings, public affairs strategies will be discussed and common goals identified. Collaborative opportunities to be considered include:

- Joint promotion of codes and standards at the local, state, federal and international levels.
- Promoting mutually beneficial positions during the development and passage of state, federal and international legislation.
- Education of legislators on issues important to the members of each organization.

PUBLICATIONS

Recognizing that electronic and print publications are a primary means of disseminating new technologies, trends and practices, ASHRAE and JSRAE agree to:

- Provide at least one complimentary subscription the primary membership periodical to be received at the headquarters location of the other organization.
- Explore opportunities to jointly produce publications of mutual benefit.
- Cross-market each organization's publications where appropriate and with industry standard distributor discounts.
- Use periodicals to promote the other organization's events, publications and other activities.
- Explore mutually beneficial ways to translate publications for member benefit.

EDUCATION

As leading providers of conventional and online educational services and in recognition of the vital role professional development has for our respective members, ASHRAE and JSRAE agree to:

- Cross-market educational offerings and the regional, national and international levels.
- Explore opportunities to co-develop new courses or other training programs that take advantage of overlapping and complimentary expertise between ASHRAE and JSRAE.

- Discuss ways that certifications programs can be jointly developed or promoted.

TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES COORDINATION

ASHRAE and JSRAE agree to foster technical cooperation in areas of common interest by:

- Encourage members in each organization to participate on technical committees and task forces.
- Provide opportunities to participate in and comment on proposed standards, guidelines, policies, and position statements developed on technical subjects as they relate to buildings and community developments.
- Establish liaison representatives to key technical committees where mutually beneficial to do so.

RESEARCH

Recognizing the importance research plays in accelerating the transformation to a more sustainable built environment, ASHRAE and JSRAE agree to:

- Collaborate to promote research in areas where research results will add to the body of knowledge in sustainability, refrigeration and wellness in buildings.
- Disseminate research results quickly, focusing on high-impact findings.
- Identify opportunities for research funding from other sources.

TERMINATION

Either party may terminate this MOU, with or without stated cause, upon providing the other party with thirty (30) days written notice of intent to terminate.

TERM

The term of this Memorandum of Understanding shall begin when signed by both parties and shall terminate at the end of three (3) years unless extended at that time by written agreement.

LEGAL STANDING

This MOU reflects a commitment by ASHRAE and JSRAE to continue and enhance their working relationship and individual efforts toward achieving mutual objectives described above. It does not create a binding obligation or agreement between the two organizations, and neither organization has an obligation to negotiate toward or enter into a binding written agreement. In addition, this MOU does not create a partnership, joint venture, fiduciary relationship or similar relationship between ASHRAE and JSRAE. Furthermore, it is understood that this Memorandum of Understanding is conceived as a dynamic document, meant to change as circumstances and priorities warrant. It may be modified or amended by written agreement between both organizations.

FOR ASHRAE

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Printed Name/Title

Shaula Hayter
Signature

January 14, 2019
Date

FOR JSRAE

Noboru Kagawa /President
Printed Name/Title

Nobu Kagawa
Signature

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