

DECLARATION OF INTENT
BETWEEN
TAIWAN-JAPAN RELATIONS ASSOCIATION
AND
JAPAN-TAIWAN EXCHANGE ASSOCIATION
ON
COOPERATION RELATING TO RAILWAY SAFETY

Taiwan-Japan Relations Association and Japan-Taiwan Exchange Association (hereinafter referred to individually as “Side” and collectively as “both Sides”), having regard to Paragraph 3(9) of the Arrangement between the Association of East Asian Relations and the Interchange Association for the Establishment of the Respective Overseas Offices of 26 December 1972, declare their intent to cooperate each other to implement the following items together and to obtain the necessary consent of the relevant accident investigation authorities (hereinafter referred to individually as “Authority” and collectively as “both Authorities”).

1. Purpose

The purpose of this Declaration of Intent (DOI) is to assist in enhancing railway safety in the respective areas. Both Authorities are each committed to implementing professional accident and incident investigations, in accordance with their respective laws and regulations, that do not seek to apportion blame or liability. In entering DOI, the sole objective of both Authorities is the enhancement of railway safety.

2. Meeting and exchange

Both Sides may hold meetings and carry out exchanges between both Authorities as required.

3. Cooperation on railway safety matters

As long as the resources allow, both Sides will request cooperation from both Authorities to share information on know-how and to conduct training, that are recognized as necessary for human resource development and capacity development of investigators, for mutual benefit.

4. Confidentiality

Both Sides will ensure that the Authority that receives materials from the other Authority should handle the materials according to their confidentiality or proprietary status, in

accordance with the respective laws and regulations. Draft, internal, or working documents that have been transmitted, except when explicitly indicated to the contrary, are to be considered as confidential / proprietary documents and treated as such.

5. Point of contact

The points of contact are detailed on the attachment to this DOI. The contact details will be shared by both Sides in case of any changes.

6. Funding

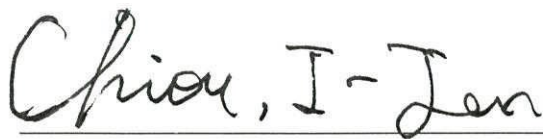
Any funding required for the implementation of the cooperation set out in this DOI will be the responsibility of the individual Side/Authority unless otherwise arranged. The cooperation under this DOI will be carried out within the limits of their respective budgetary appropriations.

This DOI is not legally binding. It may be modified at any time by mutual consent of both Sides. The cooperation under this DOI will commence on the date of signing and will remain unless terminated by either Side.

Signed in duplicate in the English language on 21 April 2020.

For the Taiwan-Japan Relations Association

For the Japan-Taiwan Exchange Association



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