

Memorandum of Understanding

2017-11

Between the following partners:

- Project AGI (a project of Incubator 491 Pty Ltd)
- The Whole Brain Architecture Initiative (WBAI), a specified non-profit organization

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets out the terms and understanding between the partners to promote joint activities.

Background

Both of the partners are organizations interested in brain-inspired cognitive architecture in order to realize artificial general intelligence (AGI). They started communication in the summer of 2017. Some of their members met face-to-face in Melbourne in August 2017 and agreed to collaborate.

Purpose

This MOU will formalize the relationship between the partners in order to promote activities related to the research and development of brain-inspired AGI.

Joint Activities

The above goals will be accomplished by undertaking joint activities including but not limited to:

- Online communication
Regular online communication will be carried out via e-mail and on SNSs such as Slack.
- Meetings
Regular (monthly or bimonthly) meetings will be held online via video conferencing systems. Occasional in-person meetings are also anticipated.
- Possible joint events
The following types of (online or collocated) events are anticipated to be planned jointly:
 - Workshops/Conferences
 - Hackathons
A hackathon may be held in remote sites while sharing a theme.
- Creating requests for research
Both of the partners could jointly create requests for research and research roadmaps to promote open research activities.
- Mutual introduction of activities
Each of the partners is encouraged to introduce the activities of the other partner to the communities it belongs to.
- Joint research and development
Joint R&D will be negotiated in case research or development themes adequate for collaboration are found.

Funding

This MOU is not a commitment of funds. In principle, both of the partners bring their own funds for their own activities, unless both parties make particular agreements on particular joint activities.

Duration

This MOU is at-will and may be modified by mutual consent of authorized officials from both of the partners. This MOU shall become effective upon signature by the authorized officials from both of the

partners and will remain in effect until modified or terminated by any one of the partners by mutual consent.

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