MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT (the “Master Agreement”) is made and entered into as of the ______ day of ________, (the “Effective Date”) by and between FLORIDA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, INC., a Florida corporation not for profit (“FIT”), and ______________ (“Service Provider”).

1. **Scope and Term of Master Agreement.** This Master Agreement shall apply to and control, and shall be deemed incorporated into, all agreements related to Service Provider providing Services (as defined below) to FIT, each of which shall be initiated by a written purchase order(s) issued by FIT to Service Provider (a “Service Purchase Order” or “Service Purchase Orders”). Provided, however, that the terms and provisions of this Master Agreement shall remain applicable to any Service Purchase Order accepted prior to the effective date of any termination.

2. **Service Purchase Orders.** During the term and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Master Agreement, FIT may issue one or more Service Purchase Orders to Service Provider from time to time and in its discretion for the provision of various services (“Services”) by Service Provider to FIT. Upon acceptance of a Service Purchase Order by Service Provider, Service Provider agrees to provide the Services specified therein upon the terms and conditions contained in the Service Purchase Order and the terms and conditions set forth in this Master Agreement. A Service Purchase Order shall be deemed accepted upon FIT’s receipt of Service Provider’s written acknowledgment of acceptance of such Service Purchase Order.

3. **Statement of Work.** A Service Purchase Order may incorporate by reference a statement of work ("Statement of Work") which more particularly defines and describes the scope of the Services covered by the Service Purchase Order and which contains various terms and conditions which shall be applicable to performance of the Services, including without limitation, specific personnel requirements, performance standards, acceptance criteria, payment conditions, reporting requirements and damages provisions.

4. **Service Standards and Quality.** All Services provided by Service Provider shall be performed in a competent and professional manner in accordance with best practices for the applicable field. Services provided to FIT under this Master Agreement shall be of such quality and have such other attributes as meet the requirements of the applicable Service Purchase Order. Service Provider agrees to comply with all reasonable requests of FIT in connection with the performance of Services hereunder.
5. **Personnel.** Service Provider will provide competent personnel to perform Services for FIT under this Master Agreement. Service Provider will furnish personnel with the qualifications and experience required to perform the applicable Services, including any qualifications specified in the applicable Service Purchase Order. Service Provider shall provide supervision and support for such personnel consistent with best practices for the applicable field. Services are to be provided only by Service Provider’s employees unless otherwise agreed to by FIT. If provided in the applicable Service Purchase Order, FIT shall have the right (i) to approve (and accept or reject) key personnel, (ii) to approve the removal or replacement of any previously approved key personnel, and (iii) to require the removal of specific personnel. Service Provider will provide all equipment and supplies needed by such personnel or otherwise required for the performance of the Services.

6. **General Terms and Conditions.** The FIT Purchase Order General Terms and Conditions (the “General Terms and Conditions”) as the same may be modified from time to time are hereby incorporated into this Master Agreement by reference as if they were set forth herein verbatim. Each Service Purchase Order accepted by Seller shall constitute a separate binding and enforceable agreement between FIT and Service Provider subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the applicable Service Purchase Order (including any associated Statement of Work), the General Terms and Conditions and this Master Agreement. The current version of General Terms and Conditions is available at [www.fit.edu/purchasing-ap/forms.php](http://www.fit.edu/purchasing-ap/forms.php) under Purchasing Forms.

7. **Fees for Services.** The fees payable by FIT to Service Provider for Services performed pursuant to this Master Agreement and the payment schedule therefor will be set forth in each Service Purchase Order. A Service Purchase Order may specify specific work products that must be accepted by FIT and any construction lien documents required, before an invoice becomes payable by FIT. All fee amounts are expressed in U. S. Dollars. The fee amounts specified in any Service Purchase Order shall not be subject to adjustment or to any additional charges for any reason. The fees set forth in any Service Purchase Order include, and Service Provider is liable for and will pay, all taxes (including without limitation any sales tax, services tax or any similar tax), impositions, charges and exactions imposed on or measured by this Master Agreement or any Service Purchase Order, including without limitation all withholding taxes, employment taxes and other amounts required to be withheld or paid in connection with its personnel. Fees will not include any taxes, impositions, charges or exactions for which FIT has furnished a valid exemption certificate or other evidence of exemption. Unless otherwise specified in a specific Service Purchase Order, FIT will not be responsible for any expenses of any kind whatsoever incurred by Service Provider’s personnel in connection with Service Provider’s performance and furnishing of the applicable Services.

8. **Invoicing and Billing Instructions.** Service Provider will submit individual invoices pertaining to each particular Service Purchase Order to FIT unless specified otherwise in the applicable Service Purchase Order. Each invoice must satisfactorily evidence the charges for Services rendered, and identify the Service Purchase Order by its associated Service Purchase Order number. Invoices not in compliance with the foregoing requirements will be returned to Service Provider and will not be processed until sufficient information is provided. FIT reserves the right to deduct from any amount due Service Provider any amount Service Provider owes FIT with respect to any claims in favor of FIT against Service Provider, whether or not related to the
applicable Service Purchase Order. Any pricing agreement or other supplemental terms and
conditions agreed to by the parties with respect to Service Purchase Orders placed pursuant
hereto are attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and made a part hereof. FIT may make payment
without fee or charge using Bank of America’s card payment system.

9. **Representations and Warranties by Service Provider.** Service Provider represents
and warrants to FIT (i) that Service Provider is qualified and has the expertise and ability to
perform the Services, and (ii) that Service Provider has all licenses and registrations required by
applicable governmental authorities for the performance of the Services. Service Provider
represents and warrants that any materials provided by Service Provider shall not infringe upon
any copyrights or other intellectual property rights of any person, firm or corporation, and that
Service Provider has or will obtain all licenses, consents, permissions and releases and made all
payments required in connection with any goods and services provided by Service Provider.
Service Provider represents and warrants that it will at all times comply with the Occupational
Safety and Health Act of 1970 and all rules and regulations now or hereafter in effect under said
act and any other federal, state or local laws, rules and regulations pertaining to job safety and
health.

10. **Independent Contractor Status.** The relationship of Service Provider to FIT shall
be that of an independent contractor. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to create a
relationship of employer and employee, principal and agent, or partners or joint venturers
between Service Provider and FIT. Service Provider and its personnel shall not be entitled to
participate in any of the employee benefit, deferred compensation or other plans maintained by
FIT for its employees. Service Provider shall promptly complete and furnish to FIT a Vendor
Registration form and a W9.

**Insurance.** Service Provider shall obtain and maintain throughout the term of this Master
Agreement commercial general liability insurance, automobile liability, workers
compensation and employer’s liability insurance in accordance with FIT’s requirements
as the same may be established for the services to be rendered by Service Provider. FIT
shall provide Service Provider with a written request for proof of insurance containing its
specific coverage requirements, which may include a requirement for Professional
Liability coverage if appropriate. Service Provider’s policy of commercial general
liability insurance shall include contractual liability coverage insuring the performance by
Service Provider of its indemnification obligations under this Master Agreement and shall
name FIT as an additional insured. Said insurance coverage procured by service provider
naming FIT as an additional insured shall be primary over and above all other available
insurance coverage for FIT. Service Provider shall also obtain and maintain throughout
the term of the Master Agreement workers compensation insurance in compliance with
applicable state law covering all persons employed by Service Provider. All policies shall
be issued by insurance companies licensed to do business in the State of Florida, shall
provide for thirty (30) days written notice to FIT prior to any cancellation, reduction or
modification of coverage and shall comply in all respects with the insurance requirements
of FIT’s Purchasing Policy. Service Provider shall furnish FIT with evidence
(satisfactory to FIT) of all insurance coverage required hereunder prior to commencing
the performance of the Services, which will include a certified copy of said insurance
policy and declaration sheet, and/or all applicable endorsements.
11. **Indemnification.** Service Provider shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend FIT, its subsidiaries, related and affiliated companies, and the trustees, officers, faculty, employees, agents, and assigns of each, from and against any and all damages, claims, demands, suits, judgments, losses or expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees at or before the trial level and in any appellate proceeding) of any nature whatsoever arising in whole or in part, directly or indirectly from or out of any act or omission of Service Provider, any failure of Service Provider to perform its obligations hereunder, or any breach of Service Provider's representations as set forth in this Master Agreement.

12. **Default and Remedies.** In the event of a material breach by Service Provider of any of the provisions hereof, FIT may, but shall not be required to, immediately terminate this Master Agreement and/or the applicable Service Purchase Orders by giving written notice thereof to Service Provider. Further, if Service Provider defaults in the performance of this Master Agreement or materially breaches any of Service Provider's obligations under this Master Agreement, FIT shall have all rights and remedies provided by law or in equity. The foregoing provisions are in addition to the remedies provided to FIT under the General Terms and Conditions.

13. **Public Communications.** Neither party shall make reference to the other party in any advertising or public relations material, or use the other party's trademarks or logos, without prior written approval of the other party. Neither party shall have the right to issue a press statement or press release regarding this Master Agreement without the prior written approval of the other party.

14. **Conflicts of Interest.** Service Provider represents and warrants that to the best of Service Provider’s knowledge there exists no actual or potential conflict of interest which may have an impact upon its provision of any services contemplated by this agreement. Service Provider agrees to promptly advise FIT in the event any change of circumstance results in the creation of any actual or potential conflict of interest. Service Provider certifies that Service Provider is not an employee, faculty member or student of FIT.

15. **Confidentiality.** Service Provider acknowledges that, during the term of this Master Agreement, Service Provider may be exposed to confidential or proprietary information. All information disclosed by FIT to Service Provider pursuant to this Master Agreement (i) which Service Provider reasonably should know is confidential or proprietary, or (ii) which is disclosed in writing and marked “proprietary”, “confidential” or the like, or (iii) which is verbally disclosed to be confidential at the time of disclosure and confirmed in writing as confidential or proprietary within ten days after the date of disclosure, is hereinafter referred to as “Confidential Information”. Service Provider covenants and agrees to maintain in strictest confidence all Confidential Information disclosed to Service Provider, directly or indirectly, while performing the Services under this Master Agreement. Upon request, Service Provider shall return all Confidential Information and any copies thereof in its possession to FIT. Service Provider shall be liable hereunder for compliance with this covenant of confidentiality and Service Provider agrees it shall be liable to FIT for any breaches of this covenant by any employee, contractor, Service Provider or agent of Service Provider.
16. **Miscellaneous.** This Master Agreement or any provision hereof may be amended or waived only by written agreement signed by both parties. This writing, together with the General Terms and Conditions for FIT’s Purchase Orders and the Purchasing Policy, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes and merges all prior oral or written agreements, representations, statements, proposals and undertakings between the parties regarding the subject matter hereof. No provision in this Master Agreement shall provide to any person not a party to this Master Agreement any remedy, claim or cause of action, or create any third-party beneficiary rights against either party. In the event that any one or more of the provisions in this Master Agreement shall for any reason be held to have no force and effect, this Master Agreement shall, if possible, be interpreted in a manner so as to effectuate the intention of the parties. Provisions contained in this Master Agreement that, by their sense and context, are intended to survive the suspension or termination of this Master Agreement shall so survive. This Master Agreement is the subject of negotiation between the parties and should not be interpreted more favorably toward one party over the other. Neither party may assign this Master Agreement without the prior written consent and approval of the other party. All disputes related to this Master Agreement shall in the first instance be referred to the appropriate executives of each party for resolution. In connection with any litigation, including appellate proceedings, arising out of or under this Master Agreement, the prevailing party in such litigation shall be entitled to recover such party’s out-of-pocket costs and reasonable attorneys’ fees. This Master Agreement and the interpretation and enforcement thereof shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. The parties consent to the exclusive venue in any litigation arising out of this Master Agreement being laid in the appropriate state courts in Brevard County, Florida. The parties waive any right that they might otherwise have to remove any such action to federal court.

17. **THE PARTIES WAIVE ANY AND ALL RIGHT THEY OTHERWISE MIGHT HAVE TO A JURY TRIAL FOR ANY CAUSE IN ANY WAY RELATED TO, CONNECTED WITH, ASSOCIATED WITH OR ARISING OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT, THE PURCHASE ORDERS ANTICIPATED BY THIS AGREEMENT, OR ANY CLAIMS OR COUNTERCLAIMS WHICH THE PARTIES MIGHT ATTEMPT TO ASSERT IN ANY WAY RELATE TO THIS AGREEMENT.**

18. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be valid as an original and all of which shall be one and the same document.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Master Agreement to be duly executed as of the day and year first above written.

**SERVICE PROVIDER:**

By: ____________________________
Name: __________________________
Title: __________________________

**FLORIDA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, INC.**

By: ____________________________
Name: __________________________
Title: SVP Finance/CFO
Attachments:
1. _______________________________
2. _____________________________
3. _____________________________

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