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University of Sydney partners with Thermo Fisher for strategic research collaborations

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MoU to support research impact, industry engagement and talent development



The University of Sydney, Australia has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Thermo Fisher Scientific, a leading global provider of scientific technologies and services, to foster strategic collaborations on innovative research and equip researchers with industry connections and skills.

The MoU was signed at the University's Sydney Nanoscience Hub by Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) Professor Mike Ryan, and Thermo Fisher Vice President and General Manager for Australia for New Zealand, Jo Broughton.

Professor Ryan said the MoU will enable the organisations to explore opportunities to collaborate on research spanning life sciences, health, physical sciences, advanced manufacturing, environment, food and agriculture, industry, and business.

The MoU includes scope for education-focused activities including technician training and researcher development, such as through industry-embedded PhDs, training hubs, innovation and commercialisation programs, and workforce skills training.

Broughton said this skills-focus will be critical in ensuring Australia is able to address national skills gaps.

The two organisations will also seek to collaborate through coordinated policy engagement, and technical advisory support for academics and industry.