



PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

BAKU STATE UNIVERSITY AND KYRGYZ-TURKISH MANAS UNIVERSITY

Baku State University (Academic Zahid Khalilov, str.33, Baku, AZ1148, the Republic of Azerbaijan) (hereinafter referred to as BSU); represented by its Rector Elchin Babayev and Kyrgyz-Turkish Manas University (56 Tynchtyk Avenue, Bishkek, the Republic of Kyrgyzstan) (hereinafter referred to as KTMU), represented by its Rector Alpaslan Ceylan, and co-Rector Asylbek Kulmyrzaev, and sign this Agreement of their own accord in the principle of mutual respect, friendly consultation and equality and mutual benefit, specifying the rights and obligations of aforementioned Parties, and stipulating the rules for cooperation.

ARTICLE 1. Subject and aim of agreement

The purpose of this agreement is to implement joint projects in all educational, scientific, cultural, fields and art branches, to conduct joint scientific research and publish the results, to exchange academic and administrative members and students at any level of education, to organize joint scientific and technical tours, to organize joint activities and scientific meetings in the fields of science, education, culture, and sports, and thus to promote the development of public relations between both universities respectively.

ARTICLE 2. Cooperation activities

The cooperation agreement provides for activities in the following areas, including education, joint research, and joint scientific publications in accordance with the Charter of the Parties, as well as the legislation of the Republic of Azerbaijan and the Republic of Kyrgyzstan:

1. Carrying out joint work to improve the teaching and learning process in the faculties, institutes and colleges of both universities and bring them in line with international standards;
2. Conducting research on joint topics and implementing joint projects in existing fields of study;
3. Organization of joint conferences, exhibitions, seminars, workshops, symposiums, and short-courses in common areas of interest;
4. Joint publications in scientific journals
5. Development of collaborative programs, courses, and curricula;
6. Participation in collaborative research projects;
7. Organization of joint teaching activities;
8. Organization of joint cultural programs and activities;
9. Organization of joint training programs for students, academic staff, and administrative staff.
10. Holding regular meetings-if necessary-for reviewing and evaluating previous activities and discussing new areas of future cooperation;
11. Exchange of academic and administrative personnel
12. Exchange of undergraduate, postgraduate, and research students;
13. Collaboration in joint supervision at the Masters and PhD levels.

ARTICLE 3. Academic member and student exchange programs

1. The Parties can exchange academic staff, subject to prior agreement on the studied fields of science. These exchanges for educational and research purposes will be carried out in accordance with the statutes of the Parties and the legislation of both countries.
2. The Parties agree on the reciprocal exchange of intern students on the condition that the quota of the students and the conditions will be declared beforehand. The number of students and accommodation conditions are determined by the host university.
3. The Parties will resolve the financing issue for the exchange in accordance with the legislation of both countries, subject to prior agreement.

ARTICLE 4. Scientific events and PR activities

1. The Parties agree to organize and invite each other to joint scientific events, such as joint congresses, conferences, symposiums, webinars, as well as cultural and sports events;

2. The Parties acknowledge that the responsibility for organizing such events lies with the organizer;
3. The Parties agree to promote the activities of both universities in all joint activities.

ARTICLE 5. Term of the Agreement

1. The Agreement shall enter into force upon the parties' signatures and shall be valid for 5 (five) years. If the dates of signature differ, the later date of signature takes precedence.
2. At the end of the period, the duration of the agreement will be extended for 5 (five) years, once only if one of the parties does not raise an objection. At the end of the second 5 (five) year term, the duration of the agreement ends.
3. If either of the parties has no intention of continuing the cooperation, the party shall notify the other party in writing 180 calendar days before the expiration date of the agreement.

ARTICLE 6. Revision of the Agreement

During the execution of this agreement, revisions or a supplementary agreement can be made with the consent of the Parties. All revisions shall be made in English and shall take effect after being signed by authorized representatives of the two parties.

ARTICLE 7. Force Majeure

In the event of force majeure, i.e., unforeseeable, unavoidable, and insurmountable circumstances, including but not limited to natural disasters, war, military action, terrorist attack, and an act of deliberate sabotage, the Parties hereto shall be excused from performing their obligations hereunder. Failure of either Party to perform its obligations, or failure to perform its obligations hereunder on time due to force majeure, shall not be considered a breach of contract, and the Party shall not be liable for such failure. However, force majeure events do not include strikes or various labor disputes, delays in the delivery of equipment or supplies, or financial difficulties.

Should either of the Parties be prevented from performing the obligations hereunder by force majeure, the Party in such a situation shall notify the other Party in writing to suspend or cancel the project and shall duly take timely and effective measures to minimize the loss of the other Party.

ARTICLE 8. Dispute settlement

1. In the event that either of the Parties attempts to inform the other Party of any key issues, it shall be fulfilled in a written letter of confirmation signed by the authorized representative.
2. Should there be any dispute during the execution of this agreement, either of the Parties shall first resort to friendly consultation for a solution. Should no consensus be reached, the Parties can submit the dispute to an arbitration institution recognized by both Parties for settlement, or launch a lawsuit against a court that has jurisdiction over the case.

ARTICLE 9. Miscellaneous

Other issues not specifically addressed in this Agreement will be resolved through friendly and equal consultations between the Parties.

The undersigned are hereby duly authorized by each institution to execute this Agreement. The Agreement is made in two copies and each copy is written in English. All texts must be consistent and have the same effectiveness.

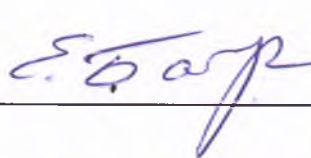
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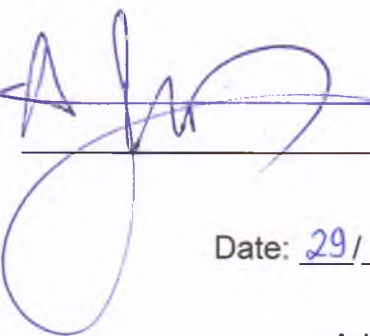
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