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**AGREEMENT FOR ACADEMIC AND EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATION  
BETWEEN  
THE FATIH SULTAN MEHMET VAKIF UNIVERSITY IN ISTANBUL, TURKEY  
AND  
DAGESTAN STATE UNIVERSITY, MAKHACHKALA, DAGESTAN**

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING** *№ 17-2017*

**I. Purpose**

This is a Memorandum of Understanding between the Fatih Sultan Mehmet Vakif University in Istanbul, Turkey and Dagestan State University, Makhachkala, Dagestan. It aims to further academic collaboration with a view to enhancing cooperation between the two parties in the area of higher education and research, in particular for:

- Their common interest in exchanging competent students between the two institutions for periods of study;
- Supporting research collaboration and visiting scholars.

**II. General Provisions**

**A. Duration**

This agreement is valid for a period of three academic years. This will be effective as of the acceptance and signature by both parties. It may be renewed by mutual agreement. Neither party will be able to suspend or cancel the operations of the agreement without first giving an account of their reasons and providing six months' notice. In all cases, should the agreement be declared suspended, this will not halt the activities already in progress.

**B. Student cooperation**

Student cooperation between two sides will be enhanced through:

- Encouraging student visits between two institutions;
- Offering student exchange opportunities for students to study at the respective institutions;
- Organizing joint workshops;
- Encouraging students to join the summer school programs organized by respective institutions.

**C. Academic Cooperation**

Academic cooperation between the two sides will be enhanced through:

- Establishing Joint Degree Programs;
- Exchange of researchers between the two institutions;
- Appointing joint supervision and external examiners for masters and Ph.D. theses;

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- Jointly reviewing scientific research;
- Benefiting from the distinguished expertise of both sides; and
- Organizing joint workshops.

#### **D. Scientific Research**

Cooperation in scientific research between the two parties will be enhanced through:

- Organizing scientific conferences and workshops;
- Enabling researchers to mutually benefit from the facilities and resources of both institutions at both sides;
- Encouraging joint publications between the researchers of both institutions.

#### **E. Mutuality Principle**

Cooperation for all joint activities including the exchange of students and scholars will be based on the principle of mutuality. Both institutions will agree to exchange the same number of scholars and students within an academic year and in a specific program (summer school, workshop etc.). Same responsibilities will apply to both institutions in the areas of scholarships, financial and application-registration requirements and all the other joint activities. Conditions for these responsibilities will be determined by specific agreements to be signed in future by both parties for every individual cooperation.

#### **F. Cooperation**

Each of the contracted parties will appoint someone responsible for overlooking the program and activities established by mutual consent within this agreement.

This Agreement consists of 2 copies in Turkish and 2 copies in English, and represents the entire understanding and agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof.

**DAGESTAN STATE UNIVERSITY**



Prof. Dr. M.H. Rabadanov  
Rector

Date: / 2017



**FATIH SULTAN MEHMET VAKIF UNIVERSITY**



Prof. Dr. Musa Duman  
Rector

Date: 07 / 06 / 2017

