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In the Name of God

# Memorandum of Understanding On Academic, artistic and Cultural Cooperation

This Memorandum of Understanding on academic, research, art and cultural cooperation (here in after referred to as "MOU") is signed on 10.06.2017 .A.D. equal to 10 solar Calendar between Tabriz Islamic Art University- Iran and Near East University- Turkish Republic of North Cyprus.

The **Tabriz Islamic Art University**, with address: Tabriz Islamic Art University, Hakim Nezami Sq., Tabriz Islamic Art Universityi Str., Tabriz- IRAN, Tel: +98(41) 35412135 & Fax: +98(41) 35412140 Tabriz- IRAN, Website: <a href="www.tabrizau.ac.ir">www.tabrizau.ac.ir</a> and **Near East University** with address: NEU Boulevard, NEU Campus, Nicosia-CYPRUS, Website: <a href="www.neu.edu.tr">www.neu.edu.tr</a> In case of any change in their respective addresses or emails, each party should inform the other party in writing within 30 days, otherwise all correspondence will be considered as to be forwarded.

The parties, wishing to establish a cooperative relationship through mutual assistance in the academic, research and cultural areas, agree to the followings:

## **Article 1. Scope of the Collaboration**

- **1.1** The main purpose of the present MOU is to promote academic, research, artistic and cultural cooperation between the two universities based upon mutual equality and equality of benefits.
- 1.2 Each university may offer to the other party opportunities for activities and programs, such as academic research, exchange of faculty member and students continue of BC, MA, PhD. teaching periods and staff development that will foster and develop the collaborative relationship.

## **Article 2. Objectives of the Cooperation**

Cooperation between the parties of this MOU will incorporate the following objectives:

Joint academic, research, artistic and cultural activities, joint research programs.

Exchange of students, researchers and faculty members.

Opportunities for sabbatical leaves, Participation in seminars, conferences and academic meetings Special short-term academic programs Exchange and/ or copublishing of the publications and scholarly materials

- **2.1** The Parties will make suitable arrangement for the exchange of scholars and faculty staff.
- **2.2** The Parties will investigate opportunities to cooperate in a variety of academic and research areas.
- **2.3** Both parties agree to invite the scholars and students of the two sides to participate in academic activities, such as exhibitions, presenting lectures, conferences, symposia, workshops, and exchanges of experience.
- **2.4** Application of joint program and graduation diploma at master and doctoral level

#### **Article 3. Responsibilities of the Parties**

- **3.1** The two parties recognize that the implementation of any agreed upon activities will depend on the interests and expertise of the individuals involved and the availability of financial resources, space and other facilities.
- **3.2** The Parties understand that this MOU creates no financial and legal commitments for either party.
- **3.3** Prior to implementing any of the provisions of the MOU, it is necessary to regulate and sign a separate contract which will be approved by the authorities of the both universities.

## **Article 4. Commitments and Legal Responsibilities**

- **4.1** In case of mutual research, which leads to a new outcome or invention, Parties should consider it as the joint project achievement.
- **4.2** Neither Party may assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations under this MOU, in whole or in part, to a third party.

## Article 5. Duration and Options to Amend, Extend or Terminate

- **5.1** This MOU will be valid from **10.06.2017** till **10.06.2027** for **10** year(s)
- **5.2** The parties agree to periodically review the activities undertaken, and the progress made, and to consult concerning amendments, renewal or termination of this MOU. The MOU can be modified upon mutual written consent.
- **5.3** The MOU shall be automatically extended for an additional period of **10** Year(s). If either of the two parties decides not to extend this MOU, it should be officially informed to the other side in written notice three months prior to the termination of the initial ten-year period (the MOU will not be extended).

- **5.4** Any revision or termination of this agreement shall not undermine the validity or implementation of separately concluded agreements emanating from this MOU.
- **5.5** This MOU, consisting of five articles, is prepared in Persian, English in two original copies, both copies being considered of identical legal validity. In case of any discrepancy in interpretation, the English version shall prevail.

This Memorandum of Understanding, consisting of five (5) articles is signed by the authorized representatives of both parties in the Islamic Art University on 10.06.2017 A.D. / 20.03.1395 H.S.

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