



# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON INTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL COOPERATION between TABRIZ ISLAMIC ART UNIVERSITY Tabriz, Iran and IGDIR UNIVERSITY Igdir, Turkey

In order to establish and further promote the bilateral collaboration, Igdir University (TURKEY) and Tabriz Islamic Art University (IRAN) join in the following Memorandum of Understanding on educational and cultural cooperation.

The two universities will endeavour to cooperate in education and research in areas of mutual interest. To the extent feasible, both universities will encourage direct contact and cooperation between academic staff, departments, research institutions and students.

### I. AREAS OF COOPERATION

Specific areas of cooperation between the two universities may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. Exchange of academic staff;
- 2. Exchange of students;
- 3. Joint research activities, lecture and lectures via e-learning;
- 4. Participation in seminars and academic meetings;
- 5. Co-organization of short term training programs;
- **6.** Exchange of published academic materials and other information;
- 7. Special short-term academic programs;

# II. EXCHANGE OF ACADEMIC STAFF

- 1. Although travel expenses and accommodation costs of exchange faculties, researchers are not compensated by the host institution, in case additional support is needed it will be evaluated on an individual basis.
- 2. The host institution shall provide office space and give access to libraries and other facilities to exchange faculties.
- 3. Duration of academic staff exchanges will be evaluated on an individual basis.



- 4. Academic staff exchanges remain subject to the approval of the host institution.
- 5. Academic staff's salary is continued to be paid by his/her institution.
- 6. The health insurance is the responsibility of the Exchange Academic Staff.

### III. EXCHANGE OF STUDENTS

- 1. Such applications are honored by Igdir University and Tabriz Islamic Art University on the principle of reciprocity during the same academic year.
- 2. The Student Exchange period consists of at least one, at most two terms. The calculation of terms can be revised by considering the education system. However, the total exchange period shall not exceed one education-training year.
- 3. Exchange students may take courses for credit, and the host institution shall issue a transcript and grades for exchange students under the same rules and regulations as for its degree-seeking students.
- **4.** Exchange students shall be recommended by the sending institution and follow established rules and procedures set forth by the host institution.
- 5. Travel, accommodation and health insurance expenses are the responsibility of the students.

# IV. COLLABORATION ON RESEARCH AND ON OTHER SCIENTIFIC EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 1. The universities will make every effort towards the development, materialization and application of research projects in fields which are of mutual interest.
- 2. In the fields of mutual interest, the Universities' attempts to organize conferences, seminars, and courses and exchange literature, publications and information.

# V. RENEWAL, TERMINATION, AND AMENDMENT

- 1. These regulations are to be authorized by the official representative of both universities in two copies, and each party will retain one.
- 2. Except where specified and agreed upon, this Memorandum of Understanding will impose no financial obligations on the host institution.
- 3. The period of validity of this Memorandum of Understanding is five (5) years. Thereafter, it may be renewed unless either side provides a three-mon'h notice of intent to terminate. This Memorandum of Understanding will become effective at the time signed by the authorized representatives of both institutions.
- 4. Items not covered by the Memorandum of Understanding may be determined and negotiated separately by both institutions without abrogating this Memorandum of Understanding; the Memorandum of Understanding may be amended with the consent of both parties.

This Memorandum of Understanding is prepared and signed in two originals in English. Each party holds one original copy of the Memorandum of Understanding.



For and on behalf of Tabriz Islamic Art University (Tebriz İslami Sanatlar Üniversitesi adına):

Authorised signature

Prof. Dr. Mohammad Ali KEY NEJHAD

Rector

Authorised signature (Yetkili): Prof. Dr. Mehmet Hakkı ALMA

**IGDIR UNIVERSITY** 

Rector

TABRIZ ISLAMIC ART UNIVERSITY

Tabriz – Iran Igdir – Turkey

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