

**MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION
OF THE HELLENIC OPEN UNIVERSITY
AND
THE UNIVERSITY J.A. TASHENEV**

The Hellenic Open University, represented by the President of the Board of Directors, Professor Ioannis Kalavrouziotis, on the one hand, and the the Limited Liability Partnership "Jumabek Ahmetula Tashenev University", represented by the President of the Directorate, Serik Onalbayouli, on the other hand, together referred to as "Parties", in accordance with the mutual desire to develop cooperation, with common goals in the field of education and research activities have agreed on the following:

**ARTICLE 1
FRAMEWORK OF COOPERATION**

The cooperation of the parties is part of the framework:

- promoting the educational, social and research work of the contracting Institutions promoting the contribution of the contracting Universities to the development of societies at local, regional, national and European level
- the development of broader scientific and research consortiums
- enhancing the high quality of university teaching and learning.

**ARTICLE 2
OBJECTIVES AND GOALS OF THE COOPERATION**

The parties agree to take all necessary initiatives and action to achieve the following objectives, which are indicative and not exhaustive:

- (a) Design and implement new Study Programmes to be offered jointly (joint degrees) by methodology of distance education.
- (b) Co-supervision of theses, doctoral dissertations and post-doctoral research.
- (c) Co-organising scientific and educational activities: conferences, workshops, lectures, seminars, summer schools, etc.
- d) Exchanges/reciprocal visits of members of the university community (faculty members, academic staff, administrators) and students (undergraduate, postgraduate, doctoral candidates), as well as post-doctoral researchers, in order to promote scientific research and the corresponding administrative organization to the extent possible in accordance with the legislation in force.
- e) Strengthening research cooperation through networking of laboratories and research teams, exploitation of existing infrastructures, transfer of know-how, exchange of publications, data and educational material, in compliance with the rules concerning the protection of intellectual property.
- f) Submission of joint research proposals and publications.
- (g) Collaboration on issues related to the exploitation of scientific work for the direct benefit of society and exchange of good practice in strategic partnerships with local communities, regional, national and international bodies.

ARTICLE 3

IMPLEMENTATION

This Memorandum does not impose financial obligations on the Parties. Mutual relations of the Parties, requiring paid services, shall be regulated on the basis of separate contracts concluded in accordance with the procedure established by the internal documents of the Parties.

The specific, individual objectives and actions falling within the scope of this Memorandum shall be decided, described and specified by the contracting parties in a Specific Cooperation Protocol.

This Memorandum does not exclude other forms of cooperation that may be proposed for discussion at the initiative of the Parties.

ARTICLE 4

COORDINATORS AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

The parties shall appoint as coordinators, for the purposes of communication between them, the scientific cooperation and exchange of views hereunder, the implementation supervision of the terms of this agreement and the joint preparation of recommendations to the competent bodies of the parties for the approval of projects, programmes and actions, the following:

The Hellenic Open University, the President, Professor Ioannis Kalavrouziotis.

The Jumabek Ahmetula Tashenev University, the President of the Directorate, Serik Onalbayouli.

The Coordinators do not have the power of representation of the parties, nor the right to sign on their behalf, and any decision of the coordinators involving legal or financial commitment will not be valid and will not be binding on the parties, unless it has been duly taken by the competent bodies.

In the event that disputes arise during the course of this agreement, if they concern the interpretation and performance of this agreement, they will be resolved through discussions and consultations, initially through the Coordinators and then, if they do not reach an agreement on the resolution of the dispute, through contact between the competent bodies of each party and the legal advisors they may appoint. Finally, if there is no mutually agreed solution and the parties continue to disagree, either party may terminate this memorandum, without prejudice to either party, even if the party making the termination is at fault for inviting and/or failing to resolve the disagreement.

ARTICLE 5

ENTRY INTO FORCE, DURATION, AMENDMENTS

This Memorandum of Cooperation shall enter into force on the day of its signature and shall remain in force for as long as both parties so desire. Should either party wish to terminate this memorandum, it



shall provide written notice to that effect, giving the required time, at least six (6) months, to resolve any issues. In the event that it is supplemented or amended, the mutual written consent of both parties shall be required. The termination of this Memorandum of Cooperation shall not affect actions and projects established on the basis of this memorandum and already in progress. Any recurrent programmes shall not be automatically renewed in the event of termination of this Memorandum of Cooperation.

This Memorandum is drawn up in four (4) copies in English.

The Parties

For the Hellenic Open University

For the Jumabek Ahmetula Tashenev University

(signature and seal)

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Professor, Ioannis Kalavrouziotis

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