MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

The UNIVERSITY OF SULAIMANI, KURDISTAN REGION, IRAQ

AND

The UNIVERSITY OF MACEDONIA, THESSALONIKI, GREECE

On

RESEARCH AND ACADEMIC EXCHANGE IN THE AREAS OF
CULTURE, LANGUAGES, HISTORY, ECONOMY, LAW AND POLITICS

This Memorandum of Understanding is initiated to promote international cooperation between the two parties:

1. The University of Sulaimani, represented by Assist. Prof. Dr. Ridha Hasan Hussein, president

2. The University of Macedonia, represented by Prof. Dr. Stylianos Katranidis, rector

Recognizing the benefits to their respective institutions from the establishment of institutional links, the two parties hereby agree on this agreement.

1. PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT

The purpose of this agreement is to establish minimum grounds for future academic and educational cooperation, establish forms of research and teaching collaboration between the three higher education institutions. The format of cooperation, the time and the scope remain open and subject to more specific agreement(s) whereas this MoU is an expression of mutually shared good will to cooperate.
2. AREAS OF COOPERATION

Subject of the availability of funds, resources and approval of the authorized representatives, the two institutions agree to invest efforts to establish collaborative activities in the following areas:

a) Conducting joint research and developing projects
b) Cooperation on specific projects
c) Organization of lectures, symposia, international meetings, conferences, summer schools and workshops
d) Exchange of researchers and students
e) Exchange of information, teaching materials, technological and scientific publications
f) Providing opportunities for professors and researchers to give lectures
g) Search for opportunities to collaborate in the future

3. IMPLEMENTATION

All programs or activities implemented under the general terms of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be mutually agreed upon in writing in the form of separate agreements and/or contracts, including the necessary budget for the program of activity as need may arise.

4. INTELECTUAL PROPERTY

All Partner institutions will ensure that any result and publications originating from this collaboration will be available to both parties, if not otherwise stipulated in the specific agreement(s) or contract(s).

5. DURATION AND RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT

This Memorandum of Understanding will become effective immediately after signature by the representatives of these three institutions and is subject of revision and modification by mutual agreement.

6. AMENDMENTS

6.1.1. This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by written agreement signed by the representatives of the two institutions.
6.1.2. This Memorandum does not regulate future collaborative projects which are subject to specific agreements and contracts.
6.1.3. In the event of any unforeseen incident during collaborative activities in any of these three institutions, the parties agree to negotiate a mutual acceptable solution.
6.1.4. Should any disagreement arise out of the application, interpretation or implementation of this MoU, the institutions shall endeavor to exercise best efforts to negotiate their differences.
7. TERMINATION OF THE VALIDITY OF THE MoU

This MoU may, at any time during its period of validity, be terminated by either party upon prior notice to the other institution in writing not later than 15 days before termination date, provided that such termination shall not affect the completion of any program or activity underway, subject to future agreement and contracts regulating the activity.

8. APPROVAL

In agreement with the above terms of participation, the authorized representatives of the two parties, hereby affix signatures.

For: UoS
Assist. Prof. Dr. Ridha Hasan Hussein

Signature of the representative

Date and place
10.11.2021

For: UoM
Prof. Dr. Stylianos Katranidis

Signature of the representative

Date and place