



# Memorandum of Understanding Between HACETTEPE UNIVERSITY-TURKEY AND ISCTE-UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE OF LISBON-PORTUGAL

In order to promote mutual cooperation and to extend mutual understanding, Hacettepe University of Ankara, Turkey and ISCTE-University Institute of Lisbon, agree to enter into a memorandum on the following articles.

# Article 1 AIM

Hacettepe University and ISCTE-University Institute of Lisbon agree to collaborate on the following items, within the extent of each country's legislations and facilities.

#### Article 2

#### FORMS OF CO-OPERATION

- 2.1 Promotion of joint research study including the exchange of instructors and research assistants.
- 2.2 Development of student exchange programs and organization of programs granting dual diplomas in accordance with the legislations of both countries.
- 2.3 Exchange of academic research data and technical materials.
- 2.4 Collaboration in publication activities and/or cultural activities.
- 2.5 Organization of joint academic and scientific activities such as conferences, seminars, symposia and congresses etc.

#### Article 3

## **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- 3.1. Scientific and educational collaboration are executed being based on the principals of equality and reciprocity in the mutual fields of interests.
- 3.2. Exchanges to be done within the joint research studies shall be planned separately by taking each university's facilities and conditions into consideration; the rules and procedures of the exchange program shall be determined in a separate protocol between the parties.
- 3.3. The academic exchanges described above shall be limited to legislation of each country and to their respective budgetary resources.

- 3.4. This protocol shall not cause any binding financial obligation for either party.
- 3.5. Signing of this protocol shall not cause any obligation for either party to enter into any specific agreement relating to collaboration between the two universities.
- 3.6. The execution of this memorandum shall be subject to each party's own law. The parties are responsible for obtaining the required in-house, or similar, approvals in accordance with the legislation they are subjected to.

#### Article 4

# INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS (IPR)

In case research results impacting upon matters of intellectual property rights are expected to arise in the course of collaborative projects within the scope of this memorandum, the parties shall enter into an additional memorandum governing the conditions regarding the treatment of intellectual property rights so arising, prior to the start of the collaborative project in question.

#### Article 5

#### DATA PROTECTION

Personal data will be used and processed only for the purpose of the present Memorandum of Understanding and relevant executive memorandum in accordance with the data owners' rights, fundamental freedoms, respect of dignity, confidentiality, personal identity and the right to personal data protection. In the use and processing of personal data, the parties are subject to their own laws and are responsible for obtaining the necessary approval in accordance with the legislation they are bound to.

#### Article 6

#### **INSURANCE**

Researchers sent by one University to the other must have both health and accident insurance. This may be provided either by their home institution, according to its own regulations, or it may be directly set up by the interested person, with a policy composed through insurance agency warranting the risks mentioned above.

#### Article 7

#### NOMINATED REPRESENTATIVES

Each Party shall have the right to appoint a representative to serve as a contact point and to follow up the applied issues. Each party shall notify the other about the representative and, if one party desires to change/ replace its representative, it shall notify the other party with a written notice within a period not exceeding one week.

#### **Article 8**

#### CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION

The two Parties undertake to maintain the confidentiality of the information available to them because of their collaboration and coordination under this Memorandum, whether oral or written and may not disclose this information to any party or persons without the prior written consent of the other party.

#### Article 9

#### **PUBLICATION**

Any news regarding joint projects and research resulting from this memorandum shall not be publicized in the various media (visual, audio, print, digital) or similar aspects, except with the written consent of both parties.

#### Article 10

#### VALIDITY PERIOD

This protocol shall be in effect for three (3) years following the date of signing. The provisions of this protocol and additional protocols can be amended by the written and mutual consent of authorized representatives of both universities. The Addenda or amendments will not be valid unless it is written and signed. The protocol can be extended for another three years by the written and signed consent of the parties.

#### Article 11

#### TERMINATION OF THE MEMORANDUM

Each university shall reserve the right to terminate the memorandum by issuing a written notice to the other party six months in advance to the notification addresses specified below. In this case, on-going projects will be completed.

#### Article 12

#### NOTIFICATION ADDRESSES

#### Hacettepe University:

Hacettepe Üniversitesi Rektörlüğü Sıhhiye/Ankara, Turkey

Tel: +90 312 305 10 01

E mail: protocols@hacettepe.edu.tr

#### **ISCTE-University Institute of Lisbon:**

Av. das Forças Armadas; Building I, International Relations Office, Room 1S7 to 1S13 1649 -

026 Lisbon Portugal Tel: 351 217 903 000

E mail: iro@iscte-iul.pt

#### Article 13

## FORM OF NOTICE

The addresses of the parties specified in Article 12 are the official notification addresses of the parties and the notifications made to these addresses are valid. The party whose notification address has changed is required to notify the other party in writing within fifteen days, otherwise the notification made to the last address is valid. The parties may notify each other by other means such as mail courier, fax or electronic mail, provided that written notification is made later.

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# Article 14 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

If the disputes arising from the implementation of this memorandum cannot be resolved by mutual negotiations of the parties, Ankara Courts and Enforcement Offices are authorized to resolve the disputes.

# Article 15

#### **ENFORCEMENT**

This memorandum has been drawn up valid copies – two copies in Turkish, two copies in English. This memorandum shall become effective after its signing by the authorized representatives of both universities.

Prof. Dr. Mehmet Cahit GÜRAN

Hacettepe University

Rector

Date:

24.03.2023

Prof. Dr. Maria Das Dores Guerreiro

ISCTE-University Institute of Lisbon

Vice-Rector for Internacionalization

Date: