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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
between**

**INTERNATIONAL BALKAN UNIVERSITY  
Skopje, North Macedonia**

**and**

**KARABUK UNIVERSITY  
Karabuk, Turkiye**

International Balkan University (IBU) and Karabuk University are participating in this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in order to create and furthermore to support bilateral cooperation between the two institutions as follows.

The two higher education institutions will try to cooperate in the areas of mutual interest as well as on education and research-oriented topics. As far as possible, both higher education institutions will promote direct contact and collaboration between academic members, faculty departments, research institutions, and students.

**I. PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT**

The purpose of this memorandum is to develop academic and educational cooperation, establish a collaborative program in various areas between the two universities, and to work together in their mutual interest for a range of higher educational activities.

**II. FIELDS OF COOPERATION**

Special areas of cooperation between the two higher education institutions may include, but are not limited to:

- Academic staff exchange;
- Student exchange;
- Joint educational and research activities through international projects, symposia, conferences, and other scientific activities;
- Joint academic degree programs at a bachelor, master, and doctoral level;
- Direct recognition of degrees issued by the signatory parties;
- Exchange of published academic materials and access to digital library databases;
- Joint organization of short-term education programs, summer/winter schools, special certification programs, etc.;
- Participation in sports and cultural events.

**III. IMPLEMENTATION**

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

Each of the participating institutions shall be fully responsible financially for the activities carried out under its direction or by its staff, except as otherwise agreed by the parties.

The parties will designate one officer each, who will develop and coordinate specific programs or activities between them.

#### **IV. DURATION AND RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT**

This Memorandum of Understanding will become effective immediately upon signature by the representatives of both institutions for a period of 5 (five) years and is subject to revision or modification by mutual agreement.

#### **V. AMENDMENTS**

This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by a written agreement signed by the representatives of both universities.

In the event of any unforeseen incident during collaborative activities in either country, both universities agree to negotiate a mutually acceptable solution.

Should any disagreement arise out of the application, interpretation, or implementation of this Agreement, the universities shall endeavor to exercise best efforts to negotiate their differences.

#### **VI. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT**

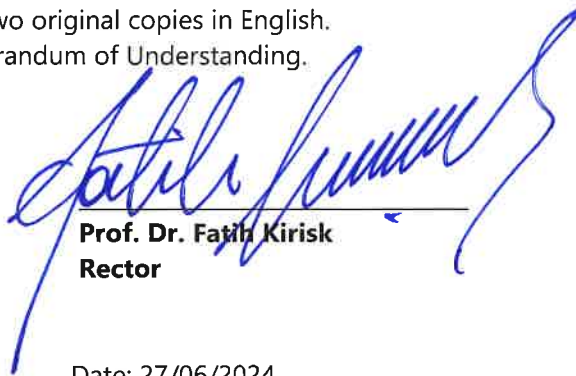
At any time during its period of validity, this agreement may be terminated by either party upon prior notice to the other in writing, no later than 6 (six) months before the termination date, provided that such termination shall not affect the completion of any program or activity underway at the time the notice of termination is given.

This Memorandum of Understanding has been signed in two original copies in English. Each party maintains an original copy of the signed Memorandum of Understanding.



**Prof. Dr. Lütfi Sunar**  
**Rector**

Date: 27/06/2024



**Prof. Dr. Fatih Kirisk**  
**Rector**

Date: 27/06/2024