



MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION

between

**ACADEMY OF MUSIC, DANCE AND FINE ARTS 'PROF. ASEN DIAMANDIEV' – PLOVDIV,
REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA**

And

KARABUK UNIVERSITY - TÜRKİYE

ACADEMY OF MUSIC, DANCE AND FINE ARTS "PROF. ASEN DIAMANDIEV" – PLOVDIV, BULGARIA, represented by Assoc. Prof. Zhan PEHLIVANOV and KARABUK UNIVERSITY – TÜRKİYE, represented by Prof. Dr. Fatih KIRIŞIK, have agreed to sign the following memorandum to foster cooperation, mutual understanding, and development in the fields of education and research.

1. The two universities shall engage in scientific and educational cooperation in fields to be agreed upon. Amendments to the memorandum can be suggested by either party and added at any time by mutual agreement.
2. Cooperation may include:
 - a. Joint research projects and pilot projects
 - b. Exchange of research and teaching staff
 - c. Exchange of students
 - d. Organisation of joint seminars, conferences, workshops and the like
 - e. Exchange of scientific publications and other materials for research and educational purposes
3. The following forms of cooperation are envisaged:
 - a. Short-term visits of senior members of staff for consultations, lectures and project planning
 - b. Long-term visits by research and technical staff for training, post-graduate studies or participation in joint research projects
 - c. Exchange of undergraduate and graduate students for practical training and participation in international programmes
 - d. Promotion of contacts with outstanding scientists from other academic centres in the respective countries
 - e. Promotion of joint contacts with scientists in third countries in order to participate in larger-scale international projects
 - f. Mutual support in the planning and implementation of visits to the respective countries
4. Details of the funding for each project will be discussed and decided upon by the two parties as the need arises.
5. The present memorandum shall be supplemented by more detailed working plans (subagreements) prepared as required by current or planned projects.

- a. Each working plan shall specify the activities, tasks, expected outcomes, financial matters and related matters.
 - b. Each university shall nominate a representative who shall be responsible for all matters related to the implementation of the working plan.
 - c. At the end of implementation of each working plan, the results shall be reported and evaluated by representatives of both sides.
6. The memorandum will be valid for a period of five years, commencing from the date of signing by both parties. This memorandum may be terminated with six months prior written notice to the other party, without prejudice to the completion of ongoing projects agreed in the working plans. In case of disputes between the parties in relation to and regarding the execution, termination and interpretation of the Memorandum, the English text shall prevail.
7. This memorandum has been prepared in English language.

Signing for: 
AMDFA 'Prof. Asen Diamandiev' - Plovdiv

Assoc. Prof. Phd Zhan Pehlivanov, Rector



Signing for: 
KARABUK UNIVERSITY - TÜRKİYE

Prof. Dr. Fatih KIRIŞIK, Rector



Place: Plovdiv, Bulgaria

Date: *September 25th,*
2024