



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON ACADEMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN

AL-FARABI KAZAKH NATIONAL UNIVERSITY, KAZAKHSTAN AND SOGANG UNIVERSITY, KOREA

WHEREAS Al-Farabi Kazakh National University and Sogang University are both higher education institutions whose multidisciplinary and comprehensive academic programs and services form the basis for academic and cultural cooperation;

The two parties in this agreement wish to establish inter-university cooperation and interaction, scientific and cultural exchange, as well as promote mutual understanding and respect between citizens of Kazakhstan and Korea. The academic cooperation between the two universities may include the following:

- (1) Exchange of students, researchers, and faculty members for study and research;
- (2) Promotion of joint research and educational activities;
- (3) Exchange of information and pertinent publication in fields of interest to both universities;
- (4) Invitation to short-term visits of faculty members and researchers for lectures, conferences, colloquia, and symposia or other academic activities.
- (5) Kazakh and Korean Language Program

I . Student Exchanges

- 1. The two institutions will accept applicants who qualify, either as undergraduate or graduate students, for academic studies in the proper department.
- 2. A maximum of 2 students will be sent to the partner institution each semester. The maximum duration of study will be not more than one year. Additional students may be exchanged by mutual consent.
- 3. If the exchange imbalance occurs, each institution shall make every effort to solve it within three years.
- 4. Exchange students will pay tuition fees to their home institution. No further tuition costs will be charged by the host institution.
- 5. The students are responsible for travel, living, healthcare, insurance or other expenses incurred by the students. Either of the institutions may provide financial aid to the exchange students.

II. Teaching and Research

- 1. Each institution will facilitate the exchange of visiting professors and research scholars of the other. This will include library privileges as well as office space, if available. Each institution will assist the visiting professors or research scholars in locating housing facilities.
- 2. In the case of exchange professors who are on sabbatical leave, the home university will pay their salaries. Where teaching is expected, not more than two courses in the host university will be required per semester. The host institution may provide additional financial support to the exchange professors.





- 3. The two institutions will cooperate in scientific research and scholarly academic exchange. The content and method of cooperation will be determined after pertinent discussion among university authorities and scholars. The two institutions may exchange lists of current research projects and determine specific areas for collaboration or new cooperative research projects, after discussion among interested scholars. In order to initiate academic exchange, the two institutions may, according to needs and feasibility, invite scholars and professors to participate in academic conferences, and may jointly sponsor conferences for exchanging research results.
- 4. Each institution will assist each other in collecting and purchasing books and other literature and exchange publications, periodicals and reference materials of mutual interest. In addition, the two institutions may also exchange publications of their faculties and provide materials for consideration of joint publication
- III. Kazakh and Korean Language Program
- 1. Each institution may send students to the other for language education in Kazakh or Korean.
- 2. The students shall be responsible for the cost of the language program.
- 3. The host institution shall make arrangements for appropriate housing for incoming students. Other financial aids, in the form of discounted fees and/or travel scholarships, may be provided by either of the institutions.

IV. Other activities

- 1. Each institution will facilitate student activities that will enhance knowledge about the country in the context of Asia, culture and history, tradition and values.
- 2. These types of activities may include internship, study tour, voluntary activities, cultural programs and summer schools.
- 3. The financing of the program will be discussed on case by case and supported on the basis of costsharing approach or through external sources.

V. Extent and Duration

- 1. The Memorandum of Understanding shall be effective for five years after it is signed. It is renewable after five years upon mutual consent of the parties.
- This Memorandum of Understanding is subject to change, renewal, and termination by mutual consent. Any alteration of amendment to this Memorandum must be made in writing and agreed and accepted by both institutions.

This Memorandum between the two institutions may be terminated at the request of either institution, provided that a written request is made at least twelve months prior to the five-year termination date.

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