



**Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
Between
Damascus University of Syrian Arab Republic
And
Ruaha Catholic University of United Republic of Tanzania**

Damascus University in the Syrian Arab Republic and Ruaha Catholic University of United Republic of Tanzania, hereinafter referred to as the "Parties", aiming at developing and deepening their relationships of scientific cooperation and academic exchange.

The Parties have agreed as follows:

**Article /1/
Objective of the MOU**

The aim of this MOU is to strengthen and develop scientific, academic and research cooperation as well as encouraging student and academic exchange between them on the basis of equality and mutual benefit.

**Article /2/
Areas of Cooperation**

Both Parties hereby agree, within their available resources, to cooperate in the following areas

- a. Exchange of academic staff, researchers, and students for the purposes of teaching, research, or the development of course curricula or programs. Any exchange activity shall be approved in advance by both Parties to the benefit of both Parties.
- b. Organization of joint research and training programs.
- c. Holding joint seminars, research projects, conferences and other mutual scientific events.
- d. Development of joint co-operation projects and research programs between both Parties.
- e. Exchange of publications, scientific materials, scholarly papers, and available research information between both Parties.
- f. Any other areas mutually agreed upon by the Parties.

**Article /3/
Financial Conditions**

The Parties will specify conditions of funding of any specific activity mentioned in this MOU according to the respective financial regulations of each Party. The Parties agree that separate agreements should be concluded in order to identify any financial obligations on the Parties.

**Article /4/
Implementation Mechanism**

- a. With the aim of implementation this MOU, the two Parties agree to sign Executive Programs, based on their desire and the available resources, to determine the mechanisms and details of implementation of the provisions of this MOU.
- b. The Parties shall undertake to support participants in the work programs by providing the information and facilities required for the cooperation and by settling problems related to joint activities, in accordance with the enforced regulations in both countries.
- c. Each Party may nominate a coordinator (or a management committee) to follow-up this MOU through mutual official correspondence within a maximum period of three months from its entry into force.
- d. This MOU does not give any Party the right to be a procurator or a representative of the other Party.
- e. The execution of this MOU is subject to the enforced laws and regulations in both countries

**Article /5/
Confidentiality**

The Parties shall undertake to observe the confidentiality of all documents, information and other data which are disclosed, in writing or orally, by the disclosing Party to the receiving Party, and neither Party has the right to disclose information confidentially to any third Party without a prior permission of the other Party

**Article /6/
Intellectual Property Rights**

The two Parties undertake to protect the intellectual property rights in accordance with the relevant laws, national rules and regulations enforced in both countries and the agreements in force between them.

**Article /7/
Settlement of Dispute**

Any dispute that may arise between the Parties regarding the interpretation or the implementation of this MOU shall be settled amicably by direct consultation and negotiations or through diplomatic channels.

**Article /8/
Final Provisions**

- a. This MOU shall enter into force from the date of signing.
- b. This MOU will be valid for a period of five years, renewed automatically for a similar period by mutual agreement, unless either of the Parties, at any time.

notifies the other in writing form about its intention of termination, through diplomatic channels six months prior to its date of expiry.

- c. The termination will not affect the ongoing activities until their accomplishment.
- d. Either Party may amend, change or add any item or Article of this MOU by mutual written consent and through diplomatic channels. These amendments, or changes or additions will enter into force according to the first item of this Article and will be considered as an integrated part of this MOU.

Done and signed in on / / 2024 , in two original copies in Arabic, and English languages. Each text has the same authenticity, in case of any divergence in the interpretation, the text in English shall prevail.

**For Damascus University
of Syrian Arab Republic**

**For Ruaha Catholic University
Of United Republic of Tanzania**

President



Prof. Dr. Mhd. Osama Jabban

24.09.2024

Vice Chancellor



Rev. Prof. Pius Mgeni

