AGREEMENT

Between

Damascus University, Syria

and

Adyghe State University, Russian Federation

Damascus University (Syria) and Adyghe State University (Russian Federation), recognizing the importance of the international cooperation within the scientific, educational and cultural fields, following the established traditions and the early agreement on scientific cooperation from the year 2012, decided to conclude this Cooperation Agreement (hereinafter referred to as Agreement) on the following:

1. The Purpose of Cooperation Agreement

The purpose of this Agreement is to develop academic, cultural and social cooperation and to promote mutual understanding between the two universities.

2. The Content of Cooperation Agreement

Both universities agree to develop the following collaborative activities in the academic areas of mutual interest, on a basis of equality and reciprocity:

2.1 Exchange of academic and administrative staff.
2.2 Exchange of students.
2.3 Joint development in the aria of Math Olympiads among schoolchildren and students.
2.4 Promoting cooperation in the field of student placements and thesis researches.
2.5 Conducting collaborative research projects.
2.6 Conducting lectures.
2.7 Organising social, cultural and scientific meetings such as symposium, congress, conferences.
2.8 Exchange of academic information and materials.
2.9 Promoting collaboration in fields of mutual interest.
2.10 Promoting other academic cooperation as mutually agreed.
2.11 Promoting the exchange of graduate students and the mobility of academic staff lecturing within the Masters and PhD programs.
2.12 To open branch of Adyghe State University on the basis of Damascus University, to recruit students and promote Russian language.

3. Financial Rules

3.1. The implementation of any of the types of cooperation stated in the item 2 shall depend upon the availability of resources and financial support at the universities concerned.

3.2. Financial details about the bilateral visits will be solved by the written agreements between two parties.

4. Period of Cooperation Agreement

This Agreement is valid for a period of five (5) years from the date of signing by the representatives of both universities.
This Agreement shall be renewed after being reviewed and renegotiated by both universities.

5. Remarks

5.1. If the collaborative research activities under the Agreement result in any potential for intellectual property, both universities shall seek an equitable and fair understanding as to ownership and other property interest that may arise.

5.2. All publications within the Agreement depend on the bilateral negotiation between the two universities. Within the publication period, the benefits of the two parties should be taken into account.

5.3. This Agreement may be amended or modified by a written agreement signed by the representatives of two universities.

5.4. The development and implementation of specific activities based on this Agreement will be separately negotiated and agreed between faculties, academies or institutes which carry out the specific projects.

Both universities agree to carry out these activities in accordance with the laws and regulations of the respective countries after full consultation and approval.

5.5. This Agreement may, at any time during its period of validity, be terminated by one of the universities upon prior notice to the other in writing not later than six months before the termination date.
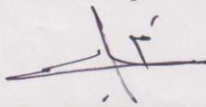
5.6. The number of students, academic staff and administrative staff who will benefit from the mobility, stated in the items 2.1 and 2.2, will be determined by the written agreements between two parties.

6. Operative Effect

This Agreement will become effective after being signed by the representatives of the two universities.

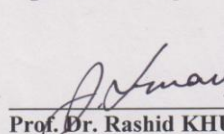**Damascus University**   **Adyghe State University**

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