



# ACADEMIC COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN

# DAMASCUS UNIVERSITY (FACULTY OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES) IN THE SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC

#### AND

# LOMONOSOV MOSCOW STATE UNIVERSITY (FACULTY OF HISTORY) IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

Damascus University (Faculty of Arts and Humanities) in the Syrian Arab Republic and Lomonosov Moscow State University (Faculty of History) in the Russian Federation hereinafter referred to as the "Parties"; and in view of the cultural relations between the two countries, and desiring to develop and deepen their relationships of scientific cooperation and academic exchange between them;

#### HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

### ARTICLE /1/: OBJECTIVE OF THE AGREEMENT

This Agreement aims at promoting and developing scientific, academic and research cooperation as well as encouraging academic and student exchange between the Parties 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 teaching staff members, lecturers, and researchers for lecturing, professional development, seminars and consultations on educational issues for the benefit of both Parties.
- Exchange of Students and young scientists of the two universities for study and scientific training in areas of common interest.
- c. Conduct joint research concerning historical subjects and hold joint scientific and methodological conferences, seminars, symposiums, workshops, training courses, scientific meetings and exhibitions......etc in areas agreed upon between the Parties.
- d. Exchange of publications and periodicals issued by the two Parties in areas of mutual interest.
- e. Development and implementation of joint educational and research programs and projects.
- f. Publishing scientific and practical activities in the journals and magazines of the two Parties.
- g. Any other fields mutually agreed upon by the Parties.

#### ARTICLE / 3/: IMPLEMENTATION MECHANISM

- a. Both Parties shall undertake to support participants in the work program by providing the required information and facilities and by settling problems related to organizational issues, which should be done in accordance with enforced regulations.
- b. With the aim of implementation this Agreement, 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 Agreement.
- c. The Executive Programs are legally binding and subject to the terms agreed upon by both Parties.
- d. Each Party designates a coordinator responsible for implementation and follow-up the anticipated work and shall inform the other Party of this, and each Party may change the name of the coordinator by submitting a formal book to the other Party.
- e. 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 conventions in force between them.

#### ARTICLE / 4/: FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

a. Each Party shall bear its own costs resulted from the implementation of this Agreement.

- b. The two universities specify financial conditions of the implementation of any scientific activity mentioned or not in this Agreement according to the financial regulations applied at each Party.
- c. Specific details related to the process of any academic activities shall be subject to negotiation between the Parties and being done by the bilateral consent.

## ARTICLE /5/: CONFIDENTIALITY

- a. 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 each Party shall treat and answer information confidentially and shall not disclose it to any third Party without a prior permission of the other Party.
- b. The Parties shall abide by the provisions of this Article after the termination of this Cooperation Agreement.

## ARTICLE /6/: FINAL PROVISIONS

- a. This Agreement shall enter into force thirty days following the reception date of the last written notification in which one Party notifies the other, through diplomatic channels, about the completion of the internal procedures required for its entry into force.
- b. This Agreement shall be valid for a period of three years and may be renewed for similar periods unless either of the Parties, in any time, notifies the other in writing and through diplomatic channels, about its intention to terminate it six months prior to its date of expiry.
- c. The termination of this Agreement will not affect any ongoing activities until their completion.
- d. Either Party may amend, change or add any item or article of this Agreement by mutual written consent through diplomatic channels. These amendments, changes and additions will enter into force according to the same procedures mentioned in paragraph /a/ of this Article, and it will be considered as an integrated part of it.
- e. Any dispute that may arise between the Parties regarding the interpretation or the implementation of this Agreement shall be settled amicably by direct consultation and negotiations or through diplomatic channels.

- f. This Agreement does not give any Party the right to be a procurator or a representative of the other Party, and does not either constitute a joint venture partnership or an official business between the Parties.
- g. The execution of this Agreement is subject to the enforced laws and regulations in both countries.

Done and signed in Damascus, June 15, 2022 in three original versions in Arabic, Russian and English, each of them has equal authenticity. In case of a discrepancy between the versions, the English text shall prevail.

FOR
DAMASCUS UNIVERSITY (FACULTY OF
ARTS AND HUMANITIES)
IN THE SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC

FOR
MOSCOW STATE UNIVERSITY
LOMONOSOV (FACULTY OF HISTORY)
IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

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