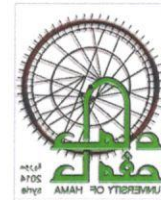




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## Memorandum of Understanding between Amirkabir University of Technology, Iran and Hama University, Syria

The Amirkabir University of Technology (AUT), represented by its chancellor Dr. Ahmad Motamedi, and the Hama University, represented by its president Dr. Mohamed Ziad Mamdouh Sultan desiring to establish collaborative relations between the two institutions. The aim of this collaboration is to promote friendship and cooperation toward the internationalisation of higher education in a mutually beneficial association in general and therefore, to develop academic and cultural exchange in education, research and other areas in particular. Both institutions have agreed that:

1. The two institutions shall encourage co-operation in any discipline and program offered at either university as well as further areas of cooperation which are regarded to promote the above-mentioned goals. However, any specific bilateral program including double degree program shall be subject to mutual consent, availability of funds and the approval of both universities based on rules and regulations governing both parties.

Cooperation may include:

- a) Exploring the feasibility of mutual educational and research cooperation;
- b) Facilitating group and individual admissions of students who are interested in completing their studies at AUT;
- c) Exploring possibilities for faculty exchanges for research, lectures, and discussions that mutually benefit both institutions;
- d) Seeking support for local and international projects determined to be mutually beneficial to both institutions such as; CNRS, Horizon 2020, ... etc.
- e) Exploring cooperation between faculty members of both universities for supervising of MSc theses and dissertations of PhD students;
- f) Considering the organization of joint MSc. programs;
- g) Encouraging cooperation between faculty members of both universities for research publications, especially in international recognized journals;



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- h) Facilitating internships for BSc applicants, summer school programs, study tours, workshops, and conferences at AUT for undergraduate and graduate students;
  - i) Facilitating sabbatical leave program for graduate students and faculty members at AUT;
  - j) Considering other forms of university cooperation of mutual interest that can be explored in the future.
2. This MoU shall be identified as the original document of any agreement to be signed between both universities.
  3. This MoU becomes effective on the date of signature and shall have an initial duration of five years from the date of signature. It is automatically renewed every five years, unless one party gives six-months written notice of termination in advance. This MoU may be terminated by either party at any time for any reason with an advance six-month written notice.
  4. Negotiation, implementation and coordination of the MoU are the responsibility of the Chancellor of the AUT, and of the President of Hama University. They may delegate this responsibility to appropriate individuals from their academic/administrative staff.
  5. Despite the statements and obligations expressed herein, this MoU is a non-binding expression of the current intentions of both universities. Neither party will incur nor be bound to any legal obligations or expense, hereunder to the other party until and unless definitive agreements have been negotiated, approved by the appropriate management levels of each party and executed and delivered by authorized representatives of both parties.

Amirkabir University of Technology

Dr. Ahmed Motamedi

  
Chancellor

Date: 10-20- 2018

The Hama University

Dr. Mohamed Ziad Mamdouh Sultan

  
President

Date: 10-20-2018