

ACADEMIC COOPERATION

Between

**Atatürk University
(Erzurum, Turkey)
And**

***Vlora University
(Tirana-Albania)***

In recognition of the proven value of international exchange opportunities for faculty members and students, *The Rector of Vlora University, Albania* and the President of Atatürk University- Turkey, wish to establish an agreement for academic cooperation and initiating joint educational activities.

Part 1

Areas of Cooperation

The objective of this cooperative agreement is to encourage an exchange of undergraduate/graduate students, faculty members, and to develop joint activities/projects between institutions. This agreement will enhance the theme of prior broader agreements designed to build a strong partnership between *Vlora University* and Atatürk University. Specific areas of cooperation may include any program or research activity offered at either institution.

It is anticipated that the formalization of this instrument of cooperation will enhance the opportunities of additional funding for infrastructure and teaching at both institutions.

Part II

Methods

The aims of academic cooperation are as follows:

- 1- Visits and exchanges of faculty members
- 2- Exchange of students
- 3- Participation in seminars and academic meetings
- 4- Special short-term academic programs
- 5- Joint participation in international training courses
- 6- Provide opportunities for staff development for both universities by participation in sabbatical leave and other personnel development programs.

Part III

Duration

This academic cooperation shall come into effect when signed by all parties and have a duration of five years, after which extension, modification or other changes may be made as agreed to by all parties. Termination of this cooperation by either party is possible with six months notification to the other party.

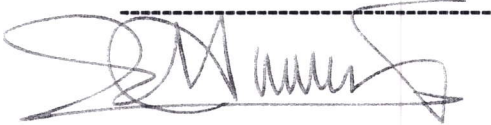
After the initial five-year period, this agreement may be renewed by mutual consent.

Part IV

Financial Support

It is understood that the details of joint activities, conditions for utilization of the results achieved, and arrangements for specific visits, exchanges, and all other forms of cooperation will be negotiated for each specific case and will depend upon the availability of funds. Each party agrees to seek financial resources for supporting such exchanges and collaboration.

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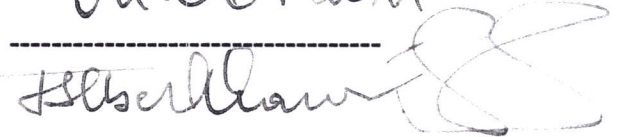


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