

**Memorandum of Agreement  
Between  
Atatürk University  
and  
Zoological Institute, Russian Academy of Sciences**

Atatürk University, Erzurum, Turkey and Zoological Institute, Russian Academy of Sciences, St. Petersburg, Russia wishing to establish cooperative relations between the two institutions through mutual assistance in the areas of education, research and the others, agree as follows:

**PART I SCOPE OF THE COOPERATION**

The areas of cooperation include, the subject to mutual consent, programs offered at either institution that both sides contribute to the fostering and development of the cooperative relationships between the two institutions.

The assistance to be provided by each of the contracting parties will be teaching, research, enhancing taxonomic capacity, staff development for curating of new Biodiversity Science Museum of Atatürk University based on Biodiversity Application and Research Center, as deemed beneficial by the two institutions.

**PART II GENERAL AREAS OF COOPERATION**

Assistance shall be carried out, subject to availability of funds and approval of the Rector of Atatürk University and the Director of Zoological Institute, Russian Academy of Sciences through such activities or programs as:

- Collaboration to create new Biodiversity Science Museum of Atatürk University;
- Joint educational, curatorial, exhibition and research activities for planned new museum;
- Exchange of scientific and museum curating staff members for preparations of exhibition, research and trainings;
- Exchange of advanced master and doctoral students for collaborative or independent research;
- Enhance taxonomic capacity of new Biodiversity Science Museum of Atatürk University;
- Participation in workshops and academic meetings; preparation joint research projects on biodiversity components;

- Exchange of scientific materials, publications, and other information;
- Special short-term exchange on taxonomy and nature conservation training programs;

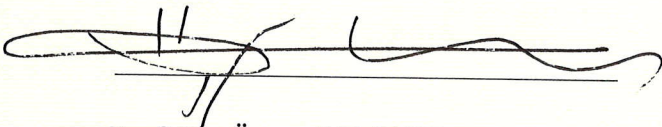
The terms of such mutual assistance and necessary budget for each program and activity that is implemented under the terms of this agreement shall be mutually discussed and agreed upon in writing by both parties prior to the initiation of the particular program or activity, and such program and activity shall be negotiated on an annual basis. Each institutions will designate a Liaison Officer to develop and coordinate specific activities or programs.

### **PART III RENEWAL, TERMINATION AND AMENDMENT**

This agreement shall remain in force for a period of five (5) years from the date of the last signature after the approval of authorized institutions, with the understanding that it may be terminated by either party giving a written notice of six (6) months prior to the termination. The agreement may be extended by mutual consent of the two parties.

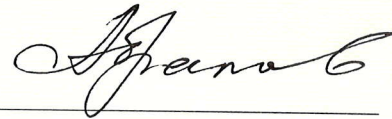
This agreement may be amended by the exchange of letters between the two institutions, such amendments, once approved by both institutions, will become part of this Memorandum of Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have offered their signatures:



Prof. Dr. Ömer ÇOMAKLI  
Rector  
Atatürk University

28.10.2019



Dr. Sergey Yu. SINEV  
Director  
Zoological Institute, Russian Academy of  
Sciences

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