Memorandum of Agreement Between Atatürk University and Belarusian State Technology University

Atatürk University, Erzurum, Turkey and Belarusian State Technology University, Minsk, Belarus wishing to establish cooperative relations between the two institutions through mutual assistance in the areas of ϵ ducation, 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 universities.

The assistance to be provided by each of the contracting parties will be teaching, research, exchange of faculty and students, and staff development, etc., 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 Rector of Belarus State Technology University through such activities or programs as:

- Joint educational, cultural, research activities;
- Exchange of faculty members for research, lectures and discussions;
- Exchange of advanced graduate and professional students for collaborative or independent research;
- Participation in seminars and academic meetings;
- Exchange of academic materials, publications, and other information;
- Special short-term academic programs;
- Semester, and a yearlong study abroad programs for degree-seeking students that provide academic credits and beneficial transcripts. Such programs will be designed to satisfy academic requirements at each of the participating institutions.

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 university 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 an ended 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:

Ömer ÇOMAKL
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Prof. Dr. Ihor Voitao Rector Belarus State Technology University, 2018

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Agreement on joint higher education program

between

Belarusian State Technological University (Minsk, Republic of Belarus)

and

Atatiirk University (Erzurum, Republic of Turkey)

Minsk

2018

Educational institution "Belarusian State Technological University", hereinafter BSTU, in the person of the Rector Ihar VOITAU, acting on the basis of the Statute on the one hand, and Atatürk University, hereinafter AU, in the person of the Rector Ömer ÇOMAKLI, acting on the basis of the Statute, on the other hand (hereinafter referred to as 'Parties') aiming for strengthening of friendly ties between the Republic of Belarus and the Republic of Turkey, extension of mutually beneficial relations and cooperation in the field of training of specialists have agreed as follows.

1. Subject of the Agreement

1.1. The subject of this Agreement is joint training of specialists. To achieve the objective the Parties agree to establish a joint faculty BSTU-AU (hereinafter JF BSTU-AU) under Atatürk University, Republic of Turkey.

1.2. The number of students to be enrolled in the study programmes of JF BSTU-AU is regulated by admission quotas of AU. The students are enrolled in JF BSTU-AU according to the enrollment rules and procedures established by the Ministry of National Education of the Republic of Turkey. The admission quotas are approved by the Ministry of National Education of the Republic of Turkey and the Ministry of Education of the Republic of Belarus.

1.3. The joint faculty BSTU-AU will offer the following study programmes:

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New study programmes are to be added to JF BSTU-AU by an additional agreement mutually signed by the Parties not later than 9 months prior to the beginning of a new academic year.

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1.4. Training of specialists at JF BSTU-AU is done in two stages in accordance with standard curricula and syllabi developed by BSTU and approved by AU. The tuition language is Russian. All students are charged tuition fee.

Stage 1. Students study at AU, Republic of Turkey, for two years (year 1, year 2).

Stage 2. Students study at BSTU, Republic of Belarus, for two years (year 3, year 4), prepare and defend their graduation thesis and are awarded a university degree resulting from the study programme graduated.

1.5. Students who have successfully completed the first two years of studies at AU shall be transferred to BSTU to complete Stage 2. The transfer to BSTU is regulated by the Belarusian law and this Agreement.

1.6. The students of JF BSTU-AU shall be registered with AU at Stage 1 and with BSTU at Stage 2.

1.7. Upon graduation from Stage 2, the graduates have the right to continue their studies at Master's degree course of either BSTU or AU to pursue a Master's degree.

1.8. Final assessment of students is done at BSTU. Representatives of AU are invited to the Examination Board as full members (to be agreed by the Parties).

1.9. To organize recruitment and career guidance activities, JF BSTU-AU shall run preparatory courses in the Russian language and general academic disciplines (Mathematics, Physics, Basics of Informatics, English). Students of preparatory courses are taught in accordance with the curricula and syllabi developed by BSTU and approved by AU. The students are charged tuition fee.

1.10. JF BSTU-AU can enroll students from all countries. The applicants shall have secondary-level education, vocational education or university degree.

1.11. AU is obliged:

- to provide classrooms for JF BSTU-AU;

- to equip the classrooms with appropriate furniture, computers and office appliances;

- to enroll students in preparatory courses and degree programmes of JF BSTU-AU;

- to receive BSTU academic staff coming to AU for teaching, to provide them with accommodation and necessary allowance.

1.12. BSTU is obliged:

- to develop required curricula and syllabi;

- to send its academic staff for teaching at JF BSTU-AU (the staff members as well as their qualifications are to be approved by AU);

- to provide necessary teaching and learning resources (textbooks, tutorials, etc.);

- to provide visa support to the students of JF BSTU-AU and to assist them with the migration procedures as required by the Belarusian law;

- to enroll students who have successfully completed their first two years of studies at JF BSTU-AU in their third year and provide their ongoing instruction in Russian;

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- to award the students who have successfully completed a full cycle of studies the university degree resulting from the respective study programme.

2. Financial obligations of the Parties

2.1. Financial relations between the Parties are laid down in an addendum hereto and are mutually discussed and agreed upon whenever it is required.

3. Duration of the Agreement

3.1. This Agreement becomes effective upon its signature by both Parties and shall be valid for a period of five years.

3.2. This Agreement shall be extended for another five years if neither Party notifies the other Party about its termination not later than 6 month prior to such termination.

3.3. This Agreement cannot be cancelled in the first two years of its validity.

4. Miscellaneous

4.1. The Parties agree to add new study programmes to the Joint Faculty BSTU-AU in case of the successful performance of the activities laid down in this Agreement.

4.2. All amendments and addenda to this Agreement can be proposed by either Party and are made effective upon being signed by both Parties.

4.3. This Agreement is made in English and Russian in duplicate, each Party gets one copy hereof.

5. Addresses of the Parties

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