

COOPERATION AGREEMENT

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21. 11. 2023

BETWEEN

IZMIR DEMOKRASI UNIVERSITY (TURKEY)

AND

THE TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF VARNA (BULGARIA)

The **Izmir Demokrasi University** situated, Uçkuyular Mahallesi, Gürsel Aksel Biv. N-14, 35140 Karabağlar/ Izmir, Türkiye, represented by Prof. Dr. Bedriye Tunçsiper and

the **Technical University of Varna (TU-Varna)**, situated 1, Studentska Str., 9010 Varna, Bulgaria, represented by its Rector, Prof. Dr. Dragomir Plamenov, have agreed as follows:

**Article 1**

Both universities decide to collaborate as to facilitate and encourage the co-operation and the pedagogical, scientific and technical exchanges at international level.

**Article 2:**

This co-operation may take the following forms:

- a) Exchange of students
- b) Teaching staff exchanges for short-term, medium-term and long-term visits
- c) Exchange of researchers
- d) Joint publications and exchange of papers and publications
- e) Collaboration on joint research subjects
- f) Joint seminars and conferences
- g) Joint management of degree projects and theses.

The financial provisions regarding the above-mentioned forms of co-operation and the financial obligations of both Parties connected with this Article are subject of additional Annexes to this Agreement.

**Article 3:**

The parties agree that the joint publications, the co-production and the dissemination of the research results will be carried out only by mutual agreement between the parties. In the case of works for which is not possible to determine the participation degree of each party, the possible royalties will be shared equally among the partners.

**Article 4:**

Both parties will combine their efforts to request funds from national and international programs that will allow carrying out their joint activities. To this end, periodically they will put in a funding request to the organizations that support the international co-operation.

**Article 5:**

The agreement is concluded for a period of 5 /five/ years. It is subject to cancellation at any time by either party with six months' notice. In the case of cancellation, the cooperation activities already started will continue until their term, or at the latest the 31-st August of the relevant year.

The agreement could be renewed by the written approval of the two parties.

**Article 6:**

The present agreement is submitted to approval by the competent academic bodies of each institution and by its official authorities.

The agreement will come into force after its approval, starting from the date of signature by both parties.

The agreement is written in 2 identical copies in English, one copy for every party.

  
Prof. Dr. Dragomir Hristov  
Rector TU-Varna

Date: 21. 11. 2023

  
Prof. Dr. Bedriye Tunçsiper  
Rector Izmir Demokrasi University

Date: 14. 11. 2023