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Proceed from the common interest in the following.

AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION

Article 1

Both signatories determine and regulate with this Agreement the areas and matters of cooperation to develop educational, scientific, and other forms of collaboration in higher education according to the interest, the curriculum, and by international legal acts from the domain of higher education, respecting international legal acts, national and local rules, and laws.

Article 2

Both signatories shall cooperate in the following areas:

- In developing curricula for postgraduate specialist, graduate, and doctoral studies;
- In teaching and research and developing joint degree programs (based on scientific methods and scientific literature, bibliographic units, and scientific works of mutual interests);
- In developing novel teaching methods via e-learning and distance learning;
- In the field of exchanging students, teachers, and personnel in the framework of formal mobility programs (with a view to learning, lecturing, consultations, and participating in scientific and research work of mutual interest and to work placement and praxis);
- In publishing the themes of mutual interest, write textbooks and publish repertoires. They will
 also organize scientific conferences, seminars, symposia, round tables, and public discussions
 with the topics agreed on in advance;
- In organizing and carrying out joint research projects and mutual exchange of information on research results and publishing scientific papers in the local, national, and international scientific journals (or the contracting parties bind themselves to mutual publishing of scientific and expert reports in English, in the local, national and international scientific journals);
- In the development of institutional relationships to improve the quality of higher education;
- In cooperation with students and student organizations in the field of academic and cultural
 activities, thus enriching students' intercultural awareness crucial for successful full business
 communication on a global, national, and local level;
- Other areas where mutual interest in cooperation is established (other sorts of exchange within the scope of the contracting parties' incidence).
- IP Sharing: Both parties will take all necessary steps to protect the intellectual property generated during the collaboration
- No Financial Liability to the Institution: The financial arrangements wherever involved will be mobilized by collaborators after due approval

Article 3

The cooperation based on this Agreement shall be carried out on the principle of reciprocity.

Article 4

All details in realizing the individual activities from Article 2 of this Agreement will be defined by separate individual agreements, which shall be discussed and agreed upon by both signatories.

Article 5

This contract has been signed for 10 (ten) years and comes into effect from its signing.

Both signatures shall consent to mutually inform each other about all circumstances necessary to realize this Agreement.

Article 6

All possible amendments and additions to this Agreement and other issues related to the subject of this Agreement shall be concluded in writing and annexed to this Agreement.

Article 7

The Agreement has been signed in four identical copies in English, and each signatory receives two copies.

All copies of this contract have equal legally binding force.

In Bathinda, India, $26 \ 3$ 2024

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