

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING **between**

KERMANSHAH UNIVERSITY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES
KERMANSHAH, IRAN
and

UNIVERSITY OF GARMIAN
KALAR, KURDISTAN REGION, IRAQ

FOR ACADEMIC COOPERATION

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is established and entered into by Kermanshah University of Medical Sciences (KUMS), Iran and University of Garmian, Iraq to foster mutual cooperation in higher education, teaching, scientific research, professional development training and the sharing of experience in using high-tech equipment.

1. The parties agree to establish the following activities, by mutual agreement, to promote mutual cooperation:
 - Exchange of publications, academic (educational and research) materials, sources and technology transfer information
 - Co-hosting, participating and promoting opportunities for academic collaboration through conferences, symposia, seminars, workshops and academic meetings
 - Development of study programs
 - Foster new avenues for research collaboration and joint teaching and research projects
 - Explore opportunities for the mobility of students
 - Promote scholarship programs
 - Promote academic cooperation and the exchange of academic staff
 - Promote international excellence in research and teaching in higher education
 - Exchange external medical examiners for the university's final exams
 - Exchange of medical equipment and facilities

Before these activities can be implemented, both partners shall discuss the issues involved to the satisfaction of each party and enter into specific activity agreements based on the mutually agreed objectives and outcomes of the relationship.

This MOU will be subjected to the laws and regulations in force of the respective countries and local governments.

2. This MOU constitutes the entire agreement between the parties, and all prior discussions, agreements, and understandings, whether oral or in writing, are merged in this agreement.
3. Nothing in this MOU constitutes any relationship of employer and employee, principal and agent, or partnership or trustee between the Parties. Rather, it is designed to facilitate and develop a genuine and mutually beneficial exchange process and research relationship to the scholarly and scientific communities of both countries.
4. This MOU shall take effect on the date of its signature for a period of five years as of the date it is fully executed by both parties or until either party by three months written notice terminates this MOU. The MOU may be amended at any time by the written notice and mutual agreement between the parties.
5. The MOU may be discontinued by any of the parties, providing that the party formally notifies the other, at least 90 (ninety) days before the discontinuation is to come into effect. Any such termination shall not affect projects already underway, except when both Parties jointly agree otherwise.
6. Regarding Intellectual Property, the parties recognise the moral rights of each other's employee's, students and will use their reasonable endeavours to ensure that these rights are observed
7. This MOU should be reviewed at the end of the period to evaluate the progress and quality of the mutual cooperation. The MOU may be renewed or extended by mutual consent of the participating parties. Such amendments, once signed by authorised signatures will become part of this MOU.
8. Kermanshah University of Medical Sciences is committed to assist University of Garmian in inaugurating its School of Medicine.
9. In pursuit of promoting the visibility of the academic partnership of both institutions, KUMS and University of Garmian agreed to upload the link of official website of other party on their website.
10. The signatory officials agree that the parties to this MOU are obliged to cooperate with each other's Ethical Review Boards (ERB).



Signed for

University of Garmian

Sirwan Hasan Salih, PhD
Chancellor

Signature



Date

27-7-2018

Kermanshah University of Medical Sciences

Mahmoudreza Moradi, MD
Chancellor

Signature



Date

27-7-2018

Please note that the Agreement does not come into effect until authorised officers from both parties duly sign it.

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For Cooperation in Higher Education, Research and Technology
between
University of Garmian, Kalar, Kurdistan Region of Iraq
&

Kermanshah University of Medical Sciences (KUMS) -GSIA, Islamic Republic of Iran

OBJECTIVE OF THE AGREEMENT:

Wherein University of Garmian, Kalar, KRI, represented by the President, Assist. Prof. Dr. Sirwan Hassan Salih, and Kermanshah University of Medical Sciences (KUMS) -GSIA, Iran, represented by the chancellor, Prof. Dr. Mahmoud Reza Moradi, recognize the need for and benefits of increased cooperation and communication within the international community of universities, and:

Wherein both parties agree that it is desirable to establish between them a relationship which will encourage such cooperation and communication, and wherein both parties desire to ensure that such a relationship will be mutually beneficial.

GOALS AND FORMS OF COOPERATION:

Both the University of Garmian (Iraq) and Kermanshah University of Medical Sciences (KUMS) -GSIA (Iran) have decided on sister-ship agreement. It is hereby agreed as follows:


1. To exchange students in the areas of mutual interest consistent with the regulations of both countries and universities.
2. To offer joint Master's and PhD programmes in all the available fields of study. Fees, selection of course and supervisors, accommodation and all matters related to student affairs to be decided by mutual agreement. Acceptance on the joint postgraduate programmes is subject to obtaining a student visa.
3. To offer discount in tuition fees to postgraduate students introduced by the University of Garmian and vice versa.
4. To facilitate the exchange of academic members, researchers and experts for conducting research and/or teaching.
5. To provide opportunities for academic staff and researchers to participate in workshops, conferences, symposia and international meetings of both universities.


6. To collaborate in holding technological exhibitions and conducting joint research projects.
7. Summer undergraduate experiences;
8. To fund scientific research projects by the two parties to include, but not limited to, sustainability and biomedical sciences after the approval of agreement on the research proposal and that is by funding a percentage of the project cost.
9. To offer postdoctoral positions to highly motivated academic staff introduced by the University of Garmian.
10. To exchange information, books, academic publications, scientific and research documents, student theses, microfilms and computer softwares in educational, research and technological areas. Additionally, both universities will update each other periodically on their recent publications.
11. To facilitate the exchange and delivery of research samples for carrying out further tests that are not available or cannot be undertaken in the research center of either of the universities.
12. The financing of any of the above mentioned activities shall be subject to mutual agreement. Within the framework of this MOU for cooperation, both parties will set another executive programme to agree upon the execution of the mutual agreement.

DURATION AND RECINDENCE OF MOU:

1. This present MOU shall remain valid for 4 years and shall be automatically extended for a similar term, unless any party notifies the other, six months in advance, its written intention to terminate it.
2. This written agreement, compiled in English language and completed in Kalar, Kurdistan region of Iraq on **27/07/ 2018**, requires both parties' signatures for execution of the agreement.

In witness whereof, the parties hereto have signed


Assist. Prof. Dr., Sirwan Hassan Salih
President of the University of
Garmian, Iraq


Prof. Dr. Mahmoud Reza Moradi,
Chancellor of Kermanshah University of Medical
Sciences (KUMS) -GSIA , Iran

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