

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN



BULENT ECEVIT UNIVERSITY

AND

MONASTIR UNIVERSITY

Bülent Ecevit University (BEU) and Monastir University (MU) establish this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to foster international cooperation in education, research and cultural exchange. Both institutions seek to develop mutually beneficial programs for their students, faculty, departments, and research institutes within the provision of this MOU.

This MOU represents a commitment by both institutions to enter into discussion and negotiation concerning the activities listed below. The two institutions affirm that these discussions will conclude in various agreements that are mutually beneficial.

- **1.** Potential programs and activities, if mutually agreed upon by both institutions, may include, but are not limited to:
- (1.1) Development of collaborative academic courses and programs in full compliance with accreditation and professional requirements of both institutions;
- (1.2) Exchange of graduate and undergraduate students to take courses or conduct research for study and research; Bulent Ecevit University students can apply to and study at Monastir University as exchange students and transfer the credits back to their home university. Similarly, Monastir University students will apply and study at Bülent Ecevit University as exchange students and transfer credits back to MU. The credits of the courses to be transferred are to be discussed and agreed upon between departments.
 - (1.3) Exchange of faculty for instruction, research and lectures. Academic staff

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from both parties can be supported by fee-paying mobility programs, exchange programs, governments or they may prefer to cover their own expenses. The following shall be the responsibility of the academic staff:

- Passport and visa arrangements
- Round trip tickets
- Life and health insurance
- Meals
- Personal expenditures
- Accommodation
- (1.4) Exchange of educational materials, research projects, publications and library materials (in printed or electronic formats);
- (1.5) Joint conferences, seminars and workshops;
- (1.6) Exchange Students from Bulent Ecevit University can apply for Master or Doctoral Programs at Monastir University. Similarly, exchange students from Monastir University can apply for Master or Doctoral Programs at Bülent Ecevit University.
- **2.** Proposals, including suggestions not reflected in this MOU, may be discussed and implemented in the form of annexes to be signed by both institutions.
- **3.** This MOU shall become effective on the date of the latest signature and shall continue in effect for five (5) years thereafter unless terminated in accordance with Article 5 below. This MOU may be amended by the written consent of both parties.
- **4.** The parties may review the MOU before it expires to evaluate the progress and quality of cooperation and may extend the MOU upon the written agreement of both parties. If the MOU is not renewed, it will expire at the end of the specified time period. Activities in progress when the MOU expires shall be

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allowed to conclude if both parties agree in writing. If this MOU is not renewed, every effort will be made by both institutions to ensure students are able to complete courses in which they are enrolled.,

5. Either party may terminate this MOU prior to its expiration by written notice to the President of the other party. Activities in progress at the time of termination of this MOU shall be allowed to conclude if both parties agree. If this MOU is terminated, every effort will be made by both institutions to ensure students are able to complete courses in which they are enrolled

6. Each party shall designate a person or office to serve as liaison for implementing this MOU.

7. This MOU is to facilitate and develop a mutually beneficial educational relationship. This Memorandum is written in English, both texts being equally authentic. It is not an agency contract, and it is not legally binding on either party.

Monastir University

Prof. Mahjoub Ouni, President

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Prof. Dr. Mahmut Özer, President

Date 124 2, 2016