

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SPORT AND YOUTH
OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS
AND
THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND HIGHER EDUCATION
OF THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN
IN THE FIELD OF HIGHER AND POSTGRADUATE EDUCATION AND
SCIENCE

The Ministry of Education, Sport and Youth of the Republic of Cyprus, and the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Republic of Kazakhstan, hereinafter referred to as the “Participants”,

believing that educational and scientific cooperation is one of the major ways for strengthening relations,

recognizing the importance of higher and postgraduate education and science in national economic development,

desiring to develop their educational and scientific cooperation based on the principles of equality and mutual benefit and respect,

Have reached the following understanding:

Paragraph 1

The Participants intend to identify priority areas of cooperation in accordance with strategic objectives of their States in the fields of Higher and Postgraduate Education and Science and taking into account information provided by the relevant educational and scientific institutions of their States.

Paragraph 2

The Participants intend to facilitate the following forms of cooperation:

- Implementation of joint educational, research and scientific projects, including exchange of scientists, researchers, experts, academic staff and students;

- Organization and participation in joint scientific and educational conferences, symposiums, courses and workshops;
- Exchange of scientific and educational information and documents;
- Sharing of scientific-research facilities;
- Promotion of joint programs of study, both at undergraduate and postgraduate levels, on areas of mutual interest;
- Practical-training, joint management of doctoral students, doctoral research, implemented on the basis of direct arrangements between the scientific and educational organizations of their States.

Paragraph 3

The Participants will encourage the cooperation and the initiation of direct contacts between Institutions of Higher Education and other educational, scientific and research institutions in the two States.

Paragraph 4

The Participants are also open to cooperation under international organizations such as UNECE, UNESCO for integrating the Sustainable Development Goals, and support the exchange of good practices, experiences, expert knowledge, professional development courses and teaching materials in the field of Higher Education for Environment and Sustainable Development.

Paragraph 5

The Participants will notify each other of international scientific and other educational events held in their States and encourage their representatives to attend such events.

Paragraph 6

The Participants will exchange information, expertise and good practices in the fields of Lifelong Learning, Information Communication Technology, digital education and media literacy.

Paragraph 7

This Memorandum of Understanding is not an international treaty within the meaning of the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties of 23 May 1969 and does not create for the Participants and their States rights and obligations governed by international law.

Paragraph 8

This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect on the date of its signature by the duly authorized representatives of the Participants and will remain in effect for a period of five (5) years. It will be renewed automatically for successive periods of one (1) year, unless one of the Participants notifies the other Participant – in writing – of its intention to terminate it.

Paragraph 9

Either Participant may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding by notifying the other, in writing, through diplomatic channels, of its intention to terminate it. The termination will become effective six (6) months after the date of receipt of the last written notification by the other Participant, or on such later date as may be specified in the notification. The termination of this Memorandum of Understanding will not affect the implementation of the programs and projects that the Participants have decided upon, prior to the termination of this Memorandum of Understanding.

Paragraph 10

This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended, at any time, by the mutual written consent of the Participants through diplomatic channels. Any amendment will not affect any of the commitments and/or benefits arising from this Memorandum of Understanding before the coming into effect of the amendment, unless the Participants decide otherwise, in writing, through diplomatic channels.

Paragraph 11

Any dispute regarding the interpretation and/or implementation of the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding will be resolved by consultations between the Participants.

Paragraph 12

This Memorandum of Understanding expresses the intentions of the Participants and does not create any legal or financial obligations under international law and/or the respective national legislation of the States of the Participants.

Each Participant will bear its own costs related to the above-mentioned cooperation, unless otherwise decided by the Participants, in writing.

Signed in Astana on June 3, 2026, in duplicate in the English language.

For

**The Ministry of Education,
Sport and Youth**

of the Republic of Cyprus



For

**The Ministry of Science
and Higher Education**

of the Republic of Kazakhstan


