



UNIVERSITY OF THE AEGEAN



**MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION**

**BETWEEN**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF THE AEGEAN**

**AND**

**THE RUSSIAN INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY FOR TOURISM**

The UNIVERSITY OF THE AEGEAN, legal address: Administration Building, University Hill, Mytilene, Lesvos, GR-81100, hereby represented by the Rector Prof. Stefanos Gritzalis, acting under the Charter, hereinafter referred as “University”

and

the Non-state educational institution RUSSIAN INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY FOR TOURISM, legal address: 141420, Moscow region, Khimky city area, micro district Skhodnya, Oktyabrskaya street, 10; Russia, Primary State Registration Number (PSRN): 1025006178328, hereby represented by Rector Evgeny Trofimov, acting under the Charter, hereinafter referred as “Academy”

hereinafter together referred as Partner Institutions,

concluded the present Memorandum of Cooperation, made as of the 18th day of February, 2015, with the primary aim of establishing a program of exchange and collaboration in areas of mutual interest.

**I. Purpose of cooperation**

The purposes of the cooperation between the Partner Institutions are:

- to promote interest in teaching and research activities of the respective institution;

- to enhance the comprehension of the economic, cultural and social issues simultaneously by institutions involved;
- to collaborate on joint research proposals funded by internal or external resources of Partner Institutions;
- to promote faculty member and student exchanges on different educational spheres.

## **II. Areas of cooperation**

In order to achieve these goals the Partner Institutions will seek opportunities for:

- organizing exchanges between the institutions by inviting faculty members and staff of the partner institution to participate in a variety of teaching and/or research activities;
- accepting undergraduate, postgraduate and doctoral students of the partner institution for study and/or research;
- organizing symposia, conferences and meetings on research issues and realization on joint research programs;
- implementing joint research and lifelong learning educational programs (vocational education, master and PhD programs);
- organizing short educational courses accompanied by educational and practical internships of Partner Institution students;
- organizing joint actions on environmental management;
- joint publishing activities.

## **III. Implementation procedures**

Parties agreed that the acceptance of any students will be in the discretion of the institution providing the learning experience, and that any visiting students will bear their own living expenses and will, at all times, comply with the policies and regulations of the supervising school and community.

Each Partner Institution will appoint a coordinator in order to supervise and facilitate the implementation of this Memorandum and the development of future exchange



programs. The coordinators, working with other administrators and representatives from the departments of the respective universities wishing to participate in cooperation, will have the following responsibilities:

- to promote academic collaboration on both faculty and graduate student level for research and education;
- to act as principal contact point for individual and group activities;
- to plan and coordinate all activities for which, cooperation with the partner institution is desired;
- to disseminate information about the ongoing activities and academic outcomes resulting from cooperative initiatives;
- to provide access to facilities, research publications, library materials and educational resources of the partner institution in frames of realization of cooperation programs (educational, scientific);
- if desirable, to evaluate regularly past activities and generate new ideas for future cooperation;
- if necessary, to establish a working group consisting of representatives from faculties and departments in order to define the strategy for implementation of this Memorandum.

The coordinator for the University of the Aegean will be Associate Professor, Vice Rector of International Relations, Student Affairs and Alumni Spyros Syropoulos.

The coordinator for the University of the Russian International Academy for Tourism will be Vice Rector for Educational and Methodological Training Nadezhda N. Laguseva.

#### **IV. Establishment of further cooperation**

This general Memorandum of Cooperation shall be identified as the parent document of any program executed by both parties. Further agreements concerning any program should provide details concerning the specific commitments made by each part and shall not become effective until they have been agreed in writing and executed by the duly authorized representatives of the respective universities.



The scope of the activities under this agreement shall be determined by the funds available in both institutions. No specific financial commitment by either party is to be derived from this agreement. Nothing in this agreement prevents centers, laboratories or institutes from engaging in mutually beneficial projects and sharing the cost.

#### **V. Financial implications**

Each institution shall be responsible for expenses incurred by its employees under this agreement, unless otherwise specified in a subsequent agreement.

#### **VI. Duration /Withdrawal**

This Memorandum of Cooperation comes in force upon signing by both Partner Institutions and shall remain in effect for 5 years, unless terminated earlier by either institution. The institution wishing to terminate this current agreement must do so in writing giving at least a ninety (90) day advance notice. The termination will not be subject to penalty. If this agreement is terminated, neither the University of the Aegean nor the Russian International Academy for Tourism shall be liable for any monetary or other losses which may incur.

#### **VII. Ethical issues**

Written consent should be granted by both Partner Institutions for any party to use the title: "Cooperating Institution", "Affiliated Institution" or the name of any school, college or division thereof. The same procedure applies to the use of any logo, seal or insignia as part of a program, promotional material, brochure or website.

In addition, faculty members related to the current or any subsequent agreement are bound by the current academic practices associated to research and joint projects. In any case, when such an affiliation status is used, the coordinator must be notified in writing. Moreover, the researcher and/or faculty member must abide to the disciplinary and professional codes of ethics related to research. Furthermore, it is understood that neither institution is responsible for the content of any researcher's work. A copy of the completed work should be handed to the coordinator.



### VIII. Miscellaneous

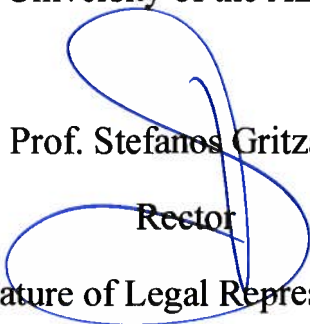
This Memorandum of Cooperation is made in 2 (two) copies in English. Each Partner Institution will receive one copy of the Memorandum. All copies have equal validity.

Additions and alterations to this Memorandum shall be executed with supplementary agreements signed by authorized representative of both Parties.

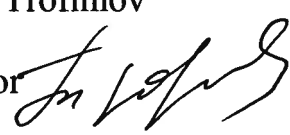
### IX. Authorisation

Authorisation for the execution of the Memorandum of Cooperation for the initial Memorandum, the representatives shall be as follows:

The University of the AEGEAN:

  
Prof. Stefanos Gritzalis  
Rector  
Signature of Legal Representative

Russian International Academy of  
Tourism:

Prof. Eugeny Trofimov  
Rector   
Signature of Legal Representative

Date 19.09.2015

Place Mytilene, Lesvos

Stamp of the Organisation



Date 26.02.2015

Place Moscow, Russia

Stamp of the Organisation

