

Memorandum of Understanding
between
The University of Jordan
and
The University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest

First party: The University of Jordan, Queen Rania Street, Amman 11942, Jordan, represented by its President or designated officer.

Second party: The University of POLITEHNICA of Bucharest, Splaiul Independentei 313, Bucuresti 060042, ROMANIA, represented by its Rector or designated officer.

The globalization of knowledge and technologies, together with the search for a rich and multidisciplinary knowledge, has led the two parties towards internationalization and becoming more and more open to the world and its challenges.

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is a manifestation of the willingness of the two parties to share and disseminate knowledge and technologies, and aims at stimulating cooperation between them in the areas of common interest in research and teaching.

1. Purpose.

The purpose of this MoU is to support the cooperation between both parties in the following areas:

- Exchange of scientific, technical and pedagogical information.
- Exchange of undergraduate students, post-graduate students, researchers and research/academic staff.
- Joint development of postgraduate courses.
- Promotion of seminars and conferences.
- Submission of proposals and collaboration on programs of national or European Union (EU) scope.

2. Research.

Specialists will be encouraged to work on joint research projects. Both parties have equal rights in connection with the use and application of jointly achieved research results. Any profit, patents or licensing arrangements arising from the joint research will be handled in a way that will not conflict with the bylaws and regulations of either party.

3. Mobility.

3.1 Student Exchanges.

Students exchanges will be encouraged both at the undergraduate and post-graduate levels. This MoU allows both parties to appoint supervisors, from their staff, for post-graduate students. The award of any degree will, however, follow the regulations of each party.

3.2 Staff Exchanges.

The exchange of members of the staff has the objective of advancing the education and training of students in connection with teaching facilities, curriculum studies and the realization of student exchanges.

4. Post-graduate Courses.

Both parties agree to cooperate in order to develop joint awards for postgraduate degrees and/or to offer joint post-graduate courses. The regulations of these courses must comply with the requirements of both parties.

5. Organization of Cooperation.

Each party will nominate one member of its staff as a liaison officer who will coordinate the cooperation. These coordinators will formulate and agree to a plan on an annual basis. The plan will include organizational and budgetary details as well as any other requirements necessary to fulfill the plan.

6. Conditions of Admission.

6.1 Students.

The host university agrees to accept students on the nomination of the home university without further selection procedures, subject to paragraphs (i) to (iv) below.

(i) Admission requirements.

The parties agree to nominate, for the program only, potential students with outstanding academic record at the date of their nomination. Students taking part in exchange programs are expected to have sufficient language competence to enable them to follow study programs at the host university. Any arrangements made for language instruction at the host university will be agreed upon based on an *ad hoc* basis.

Students will be required to register formally at both universities and must be acceptable to both. They will be subject to any rules, regulations, etc., of the host university. Registered students will then be able to use such facilities open to all students at the host university.

(ii) Recognition of courses.

Both parties agree to grant full recognition to the study undertaken at the partner institution, subject to prior request and approval of the credits under the same conditions as the ones approved for the EU programs SOCRATES or similar.

(iii) Finance.

The parties will endeavor to seek funding for the co-operation from appropriate funding bodies. Such funding could be used to cover travel and/or subsistence costs and costs of tuition in full or part for the students taking part in the exchange.

Where there is no or only partial external funding, students may be required to pay in part, or in full, travel costs, subsistence costs and other incidental costs (e.g. photocopying and computer fees) as agreed between the two parties.

(iv) Subjects of study.

The subjects studied by the exchange students will be agreed upon by the two parties.

6.2 Researchers and Staff.

Neither party commits itself to responsibility for balancing salary (or grant), social insurance or cost of living arrangements between the two parties. Both parties agree, however, to take whatever measures possible within their legal and financial constraints in order to facilitate exchanges of individuals.

7. Regulations

Participants in the program shall be subject to the regulations of the host university in force at the time, but this shall not prevent the home university from imposing on its students, researchers or staff, additional requirements which are not in conflict with the host regulations.

8. Housing

The partner Universities agree, within their capabilities, to place the services of their accommodation offices at the disposal of students, researchers or staff and to assist those involved in the exchange with any problems with accommodation through prior notice and acceptance. Nevertheless, any contracts for accommodation will be made by individuals and not by the host institution.

9. Duration of the MoU

This MoU will be valid for a period of five years from the date last signed, and may be renewed after being reviewed and renegotiated by both parties. The MoU may, at any time during its period of validity, be terminated by one of the parties upon written notice to the other party not later than six months before the termination date. The termination will not affect ongoing activities.

10. Amendments to the MoU

This MoU may be amended at any time by agreement between the two parties and exchange of letters between the duly authorized officials of both parties.

This MoU comprises two copies in English, signed by the legal representatives of both parties. Both copies have the same value.



Khaled Al-Karaki

President

The University of Jordan

Date: 12-10-2009





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University POLITEHNICA of Bucharest

Date: 19-10-2009

