



**In the Name of Allah**

**INTENT OF COOPERATION**

**BY AND BETWEEN:**

**Allama Iqbal Open University, Islamabad**

**&**

**Imam Reza International University, Mashhad**

**FOR**

**ESTABLISHING A COLLABORATIVE RELATIONSHIP**



## **Introduction**

In order to develop the boundaries of wisdom and knowledge and promote the level of Cooperation in the Educational, Cultural, Research fields and the optimal use of existing facilities to achieve common goals, this Intent of Cooperation between Dr. Morteza Rojuee on behalf of Imam Reza International University, here in after referred to as "Imam Reza International University", and Prof. Dr. Nasir Mahmood on behalf of Allama Iqbal Open University, Islamabad, here in after referred to as "Allama Iqbal Open University", based on the principle of mutual benefit in respect to the independence of the two parties, the following articles will be concluded and its provisions will be implemented within the framework of separate agreements in the common fields of academia, education, research and culture.

### **Article 1: Cooperation in the Fields of Education**

1. Teaching the Persian language to non-Iranian students.
2. Establishing joint postgraduate courses.
3. Exchanging Faculty.
4. Holding short-term specialized courses for professors and students of Higher Classes.
5. Inviting the professors of the two parties to provide guidance regarding master's and doctoral (Ph.D.) thesis.
6. Usage of scholarships and exchanges between the two parties.
7. Mutual exchanges of students for various courses.
8. Holding educational workshops.

**Note 1:** The two parties will provide joint academic documents at different levels to each other's students.

9. Transferring experiences in the field of distance learning technology (distance education).
10. Cooperating in the production and evaluation of magazines and books.
11. Exchanging postgraduate thesis (master's and doctoral) and research projects.
12. Exchanging databases (especially academic-research databases).
13. Exchanging soft-wares, videos, educational and research tapes.
14. Creating study opportunities for experts and professors of the two parties.
15. Orientation of postgraduate thesis (master's and doctoral) to the research titles required by the two parties.
16. Holding knowledge and skills training workshops for academic staff and researchers of the two parties.
17. Creating special chairs such as Persian language.

### **Article 2: Cooperation in the Fields of Research**



1. Implementing joint research projects (theoretical and applied).
2. Launching research workshops and utilizing the facilities and equipment of the two parties.
3. Preparing, compiling and translating educational texts and resources.
4. Inviting professors and experts of the two parties to give academic lectures and participate in academic conferences.
5. Preparing books, journals and academic articles required by the two parties.
6. Expertise, implementation and evaluation of the plans and research of the two parties.
7. Providing the content of the websites and academic journals of the two parties.
8. Holding intellectual and expert meetings for administrators and faculty members of the two parties.
9. Facilitating access of faculty members, scholars, professors and researchers to the works and academic documents available in the libraries of the two parties.

#### **Article 3: Cooperation in Fields of Culture and Propagation**

1. Holding joint cultural and scientific exhibitions.
2. Holding joint cultural, Qur'anic, academic and research Olympiads and competitions.
3. Holding short-term cultural and practical courses.
4. Approving the certificates of the cultural education courses of the two parties.
5. Exchanging cultural products including CDs, films, magazines, books, etc.
6. Conducting and intercultural and civilizational dialogues.

#### **Article 4: Cooperation in the Fields of Communications and International Affairs**

1. Holding joint seminars and meetings.
2. Holding joint exhibitions.
3. Facilitating access of faculty members and researchers to the works and academic documents available in the libraries of the two parties.
4. Introducing, distributing and publishing academic works and products of the two parties by appropriate methods.
5. Holding mutual meetings with the officials of the two parties.

**Note 2:** Any cases not provided in this Intent of Cooperation may be the subject of Cooperation The two parties wish to implement it.

#### **Article 5: Duration of this Intent of Cooperation**

1. This Intent of Cooperation is valid for 5 years from signing date and if one party wishes to extend it, both of the parties must notify the other party at least three months before the expiration of the Intent of Cooperation.



#### **Article 6: Implementation of the Intent of Cooperation**

1. For the accurate implementation of this Intent of Cooperation, a joint committee of four members will be formed with the introduction of the heads of Imam Reza International University and Allama Iqbal Open University.
2. The executive instructions of all the items of this Intent of Cooperation, in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations, shall be prepared by the representatives and communicated to the relevant areas for implementation.

#### **Article 7: Scope of Implementation**

1. The implementation of the provisions of this Intent of Cooperation after being signed by the honorable president of Imam Reza International University and the honorable vice-chancellor Allama Iqbal Open University, two organizations in coordination with the representatives of the two parties (contained in Article 6 of the Intent of Cooperation) and after concluding the Intent of Cooperation and contract and observing the relevant rules and regulations, it will be possible.

#### **Article 8: Financial and General Laws**

1. This Intent of Cooperation will not create any financial or property obligations for either party.
2. The implementation of any of the articles of this Intent of Cooperation, which requires financial burden or obligations, is subject to the conclusion of a separate contract.
3. The extension of the Intent of Cooperation will be subject to obtaining the necessary permits and approvals from the competent authorities of the two parties.
4. The Intent of Cooperation can be terminated if either one of the two parties announces their withdrawal. The effect of the withdrawal notice is one month after receiving it from the other party.

**Note 3:** Any revision, non-renewal or termination of this Intent of Cooperation will not affect the validity or implementation of contracts that have been signed separately.

5. None of the two parties to the Intent of Cooperation has the right to sign or assign the rights and obligations arising from this Intent of Cooperation, in whole or in part, to a third party.
6. The two parties to the Intent of Cooperation are obliged committed and obligated to consider any information obtained from the other party confidential and not to provide it directly or indirectly to others.
7. Any revision, change and interpretation of the provisions of the Intent of Cooperation is possible with the agreement and signature of the heads of Imam Reza International University and Allama Iqbal Open University or their legal representative.
8. All the laws, rules and regulations of the country in the field of concluding contracts and the manner of carrying out the activities of the executive and research bodies



governing educational and research institutions and centers in the implementation of this Intent of Cooperation are also applicable.

9. In case of dispute or disruption in the implementation of the Intent of Cooperation or other contracts subject to this Intent of Cooperation, the decisions of the Joint Committee and in case of non-resolution of the dispute, the decision of the heads of Imam Reza International University and Allama Iqbal Open University will be binding.
10. Intellectual and material property resulting from the implementation of any of the contracts related to the subjects of the Intent of Cooperation will be divided based on the share determined in the contracts between the two parties.

This intent of cooperation consists of eight articles, three notes and two copies, each of which has a single ruling on the date January 20, 2024. It is signed by the two parties and is valid from the mentioned date.

Signatures with date:

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*Prof. Dr. Nasir Mahmood*  
*Vice Chancellor*  
*Allama Iqbal Open University, Pakistan*

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