

In the name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful



UNIVERSITY of TEHRAN
Graduate Faculty of Environment

SISTERSHIP AGREEMENT/TWINNING AGREEMENT BETWEEN

**THE FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE SELÇUK ÜNİVERSİTESİ-Konya,
TURKEY, and THE GRADUATE FACULTY OF ENVIRONMENT
UNIVERSITY OF TEHRAN, I.R.OF IRAN**

The two respective PARTIES, i.e. SELÇUK ÜNİVERSİTESİ-Konya, Turkey (Faculty of Architecture) represented by Prof. Dr. Ahmet ALKAN and University of Tehran Graduate Faculty of Environment represented by Prof. Mojtaba Ardestani hereby acknowledging:

1. That the exchange of experience and scientific knowledge between the staff of both institutions is of great interest for their progress and service to society.
2. That both Institutions wish to strengthen the cultural, scientific and academic ties between the two countries.
3. That the goal of each party is to establish a reciprocal exchange programme for students and faculty with an eye towards academic and cultural enrichment of both parties.
4. That either parties deem it appropriate to regulate the mobility of postgraduate students and faculty between the faculties/colleges or degree programmes of the two parties

Being in agreement concerning the areas of mutual cooperation, they agree on the followings:

Areas of cooperation:

1. That both sides will try to define joint research activities/projects in related areas within the three years sistership period.
2. That both sides will cooperate in holding joint international seminars, conferences(with priority given to solar energy issues) or workshops annually and interval hosting by each institution.

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2. That both sides will collaborate in establishing joint programs i.e. (dual degree, short course/summer school) in the area of mutual interest.
3. That both sides will collaborate in holding international PhD. program in energy and environment.
4. That both sides will facilitate the exchange of faculty members to spend sabbatical leave in respective institutions affiliated with the respective parties.
5. That both sides will collaborate in exchange of academic materials and other information.
6. That both sides will collaborate in sponsoring student projects / fellowships financially and technically.
7. That both sides will collaborate in sponsoring R&D projects, which may be carried out wholly or partly at each Party
8. That both sides will agree to receive postgraduate candidates for a short term research period.
9. That both sides will agree to cooperate in the editorial board/paper review of scientific journals; and publishing research papers in the international scientific journals.
10. That both sides will collaborate in facilitating the joint publication of books, and the inclusion of specialty works from the other institution in its own journals, providing they meet the regulations of the selected journals.
11. That both sides will collaborate in providing the link to the website of the other on its homepage.
12. That both sides will collaborate in Any other appropriate mode of interaction agreed upon between University of Tehran- Islamic Republic of IRAN, and SELÇUK ÜNİVERSİTESİ-Turkey.

Each of the above modes of interaction will be initiated by entering into a separate agreement between the two parties.

PRIVILEGES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Participants in this Sistership Agreement will be subject to the rules, regulations and codes of conduct of both countries.

Parties will strive to ensure that none of the participants under this agreement would be discriminated on the basis of race, religion, sex, disability, and nationality or age.



This agreement will take effect as of 01/09/2015 and will be in force for a period of three years. At the end of its validity, in the absence of any letter of intent to the contrary, the agreement would be automatically renewed for the same period as the original time period.

Parties are free to terminate the present agreement. The institutions wishing to terminate the agreement must:

I. Give a written notification of termination six months in advance.

II. The other party must reply within 30 days. At the end of such period, if no reply is received, the agreement will automatically terminate.

III. Termination of the agreement will not be penalised.

Should this agreement be terminated, neither party will be held responsible for any economic loss or otherwise resulting from such termination.

Neither party may assign any of its rights or delegate its duties under this agreement without the written consent of the other party.

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