

Memorandum of Understanding
between
The Economic Cooperation Organization
and
**The United Nations Educational, Scientific
and Cultural Organization**

The UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION, the headquarters of which is located at 7 Place de Fontenoy, 75732 Paris, France (hereinafter referred to as "UNESCO and represented by its Director-General) on the one part, and the ECONOMIC COOPERATION ORGANIZATION, the headquarters of which is located at 5 Hajab Avenue, Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran (hereinafter referred to as "ECO" and represented by its Secretary-General) on the other part,

Considering that UNESCO was created for the purpose of advancing, through the educational, scientific and cultural relations of the people of the world, the objectives of international peace and the common welfare of mankind for which the United Nations Organization was established and which its Charter proclaims,

Considering that ECO was established for the purpose of promoting economic, technical, cultural, educational and scientific co-operation amongst its member states with a view to creating better living conditions for its peoples and promoting international co-operation,

Motivated by their commitment to attain the objectives laid down in their respective charters; and

Desirous of developing an effective framework of co-operation between them in the educational, scientific and cultural fields;

Have agreed as follows:

Article I
Cooperation and Consultation

1. The parties agree to co-operate with each other through their appropriate bodies. This co-operation shall extend to all subjects that arise in the fields of education, science and culture in line with their respective mandates.
2. The parties and their respective competent bodies shall consult regularly on subjects concerning education, science and culture that are of common interest. .
3. The modalities of co-operation between the parties may also consist of exchange of personnel, where desirable, to assist in the preparation and implementation of projects and to render expert services in their fields of common interest in accordance with their respective rules

and regulations.

4. Subject to mutual agreement in each case, the parties may jointly organize workshops, meetings, seminars in the educational, scientific and cultural fields to share information and experience,

5. Subject to mutual agreement, the parties may develop and implement joint educational, scientific and cultural projects within ECO region.

6. Co-operation between the relevant non-governmental organizations maintaining co-operative relations with UNESCO and ECO Science Foundation, ECO Cultural Institute, as well as other institutions to be established within ECO, shall be encouraged by the two parties.

Article II **Representation**

Representatives of either party shall be invited to the appropriate meetings of the other.

Article III **Exchange of Information and Documents**

1. Subject to any arrangements that may be necessary in order to preserve the confidential nature of certain documents, the parties shall exchange information and documents concerning matters of mutual interest.

2. Each party shall keep the other informed of the developments in the work and activities of mutual interest.

Article IV **Organizational Matters**

1. Considering the vast potential in the form of accumulated knowledge and expertise available with UNESCO in the organization of educational, scientific and cultural meetings/events, UNESCO will extend all possible assistance to ECO in those areas.

2. Any financial assistance in respect of the mutually agreed activities will be agreed upon separately, through an exchange of letters or otherwise.

Article V **Implementation**

The Director-General of UNESCO and the Secretary-General of ECO may make necessary arrangements for the satisfactory implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding.

Article VI
Amendments

The provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by the two parties. The amendments shall enter into force after the approval of their appropriate bodies.

Article VII
Termination of the Memorandum of Understanding

Either party may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding subject to six months' written notice. If one of the parties decides to terminate this Memorandum of Understanding the obligations previously entered into in respect of projects under implementation through this Memorandum of Understanding shall be decided upon on a case-by-case basis.

Article VIII
Entry Into Force

This Memorandum of Understanding is subject to the approval of the appropriate bodies of the two parties and shall enter into force immediately upon signature by the Director-General of UNESCO and the Secretary-General.

Article IX
Language

This Memorandum of Understanding has been drawn upon in duplicate in English.

For and on behalf of the
United Nations Educational,
Scientific And Cultural
Organization (UNESCO)

Federico Mayor
Director-General

For and on behalf of the
Economic Co-Operation
Organization (ECO)

Shamshad Ahmad
Secretary General

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