

Memorandum of Understanding
between
The Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO)
and
The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
of the United Nations

Preamble

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (hereafter referred to as FAO) and the Economic Cooperation Organization (hereafter referred to as ECO),

Mindful of their common interest in supporting the efforts of their Member Nations to promote regional cooperation, the attainment of food security for all, within the framework of sustainable agriculture development and the struggle against hunger and malnutrition, Hereby agree to strengthen their collaboration as follows:

Article 1

Purpose of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)

The purpose of this MoU is to ensure cooperation between FAO and ECO by consultation, coordination of effort, mutual assistance and joint action in fields of common interest and in accordance with the objectives and principles of FAO and ECO.

Article 2

Consultation

FAO and ECO shall consult on all matters mentioned in Article 1 that are of mutual interest to them.

Article 3

Reciprocal Representation

FAO and ECO shall invite each other to participate in an observer capacity, in conferences and meetings convened by either party on matters of common interest.

Article 4

Exchange of Information and Documents

FAO and ECO shall arrange for the exchange of information and documents concerning matters of common interest.

Article 5

Technical Cooperation and Joint Action

1. Whenever desirable, FAO and ECO may seek each other's technical cooperation with a view to promoting the development of activities in fields of common interest and may, through their competent organs or appropriate channels, conclude special agreements or

arrangements for joint action with the aim of attaining objectives of mutual interest.

2. These agreements or arrangements shall define the manner and extent of participation by each Party and shall specify the financial commitment if any, that each is to assume

Article 6
Entry into Force

This MoU, being concluded in a spirit of friendly and increased cooperation, shall come into force on its signature by the Director-General of FAO and the Secretary-General of ECO.

Article 7
General Provisions

This MoU shall on its entry into force supersede the Exchange of Letters between FAO and ECO of 26 January and 7 February 1987, respectively.

For the
Economic Cooperation Organization

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Economic Cooperation Organization
8 December 1997

For the
Food and Agriculture Organization

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