



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
ON
Education, Research, and Technological Cooperation
between
Institute for Atmospheric Sciences-Weather and Climate, University of Iceland
and
Golestan University, I.R. of Iran

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) sets the terms and understanding between the Institute for Atmospheric Sciences-Weather and Climate, University of Iceland (hereafter referred to as IASWC), and Golestan University (hereafter referred to as GU) to expand teaching and research activities for students and academic staff.

Background

Recognizing the importance of academia, research, and technological cooperation between universities for active engagement of academic staff and researchers in scientific and technological domains, IASWC and GU agree as follows:

Purpose

The purpose of this MoU includes, but is not limited to the following:

1. To interchange information in the publication of the research journal entitled "Journal of Climate Change Research" published by GU.
2. To promote the exchange of postgraduate students and academic staff and render mutual assistance in improving their scientific qualifications.
3. To share experiences in facilitating teaching methods.
4. To develop joint ventures between the two partners to provide internship, study tours, and summer sessions for students and visiting scholars.
5. To collaborate in holding joint academic and scientific activities, such as postgraduate programs, courses, conferences, seminars, exhibitions, symposia, lectures, etc.;
6. To inform each other of significant, relevant events, efforts, and activities and encourage and promote exchanges of information on all levels of interest;

Agreement

Arrangements for scientific visits and other forms of cooperation will be developed according to the needs and resources and based upon the rules and regulations of the two partners. All financial arrangements will be negotiated on a case by case basis and will depend upon the availability of funds.



The terms on specific areas of cooperation shall be arranged upon in written form by both parties prior to the initiation of any particular activity. Specific details will be set forth in a letter of agreement which will include such items as the number of participants, elaboration of the responsibilities of each institution for the agreed-upon activity, schedules, management, financial arrangements, etc.

Letters of the agreement will be approved by both parties according to their procedures. Parties will appoint coordinators for the joint activities development and management. Through the coordinators, either party may initiate proposals for activities under this MoU.

Each party agrees to assess the efficiency of any program on an annual basis and to encourage cooperative activities for successful academic and cultural exchange programs.

Each party acknowledges that the other party remains independent, that this MoU confers no right unless by expressed agreement, and that each has external limits on the extent and nature of cooperation permitted between the parties. The parties recognize that they are separate organizations and have their respective accountabilities and organizational policies and procedures.

This MoU shall be effective from the date of its execution. It will be evaluated annually for any necessary revision. The understanding may be amended by mutual agreement.

This MoU may be terminated by either party at any time provided that the terminating party gives a minimum of a three-month-notice in the written form.

SIGNED:

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