

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University (GGSIPU), INDIA

And

Libera Università Maria SS. Assunta (LUMSA), Rome, ITALY

PREAMBLE

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1. Purpose/Objectives

The goal of this cooperation is to foster academic collaboration, provide opportunities for global experience and to facilitate advancement of knowledge on the basis of reciprocity, mutual benefits and frequent interactions. The parties agree to explore the possibilities of engaging in the following areas of collaboration

- (a) Exchange of faculty for limited periods of time for purposes of education, research, training, and consultancy.
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- (c) Joint organization of seminars, conferences, workshops and short-term continuing education programmes on topics of mutual interest.
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- (e) Introduction of joint twinning programmes in areas of high relevance to both the parties.
- (f) Exchange of information on research, teaching, learning materials and other literature relevant to the parties.

2. Provisions for collaboration

2.1 Faculty-related collaboration

Both the parties to the MoU undertake to promote faculty-related collaboration for academic purposes.

- (a) There may be mobility of the faculty members from one party to the other for short duration (no longer than one academic semester) on the terms and conditions agreeable to both parties.
- (b) The faculty under mobility may be engaged in teaching programmes, participate in seminars, participate in executive & joint programmes, carry out research work to promote academic interests of both the institutions during the exchange duration.
- (c) The request for exchange of faculty shall be duly forwarded by –
 - (i) the home institution in the form of a written proposal to the host institution. The proposal shall include the credentials of the visiting faculty member(s) and a description of the scope of the teaching or research which the faculty member(s) hope(s) to accomplish. The request shall also state the type of assistance or facilities which the faculty or researchers may require from the host institution; or
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- (a) The parties may mutually decide to undertake institutional-level collaborative activities such as joint conferences/seminars/workshops, extramural grants/projects, or other similar activities.

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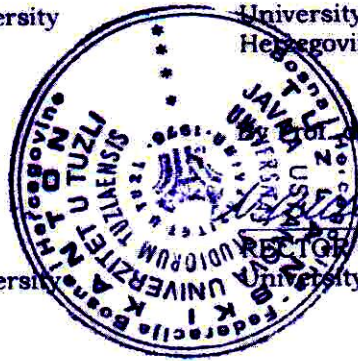
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