

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

AZERBAIJAN TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY

and

TOKAT GAZIOSMANPAŞA UNIVERSITY

Azerbaijan Technical University (Republic of Azerbaijan) and Tokat Gaziosmanpaşa University (Republic of Türkiye), hereinafter referred to as "Participants", concluded the present Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), made as of the 22nd of August 2025, with the primary aim of establishing a program of exchange and collaboration in areas of mutual interest.

Paragraph I

Purpose of Collaboration

The purpose of collaboration between Participants is:

1. to promote interest in teaching and research activities of the respective university;
2. to collaborate on joint research proposals;
3. to promote faculty member, student and staff exchanges where feasible.

Paragraph II

Areas of Collaboration

In order to achieve these goals, the Participants will seek opportunities:

1. to promote exchange opportunities between the universities by inviting faculty members and staff of the partner university to participate in a variety of teaching and/or research activities;
2. to accept undergraduate, postgraduate and doctoral students of the partner university for study and/or research. It is understood that the acceptance of any students will be in the discretion of the university providing the learning experience, and that any visiting students will bear their own living expenses and will at all times, comply with the policies and regulations of the supervising university and community;
3. to organize symposia, conferences, short-term courses and meetings on research issues;

4. to implement joint research and lifelong learning educational programs;
5. to exchange information on innovative teaching and administrative practices;
6. to organize joint actions on environmental management;
7. exchange of scientific and methodical publications.

Paragraph III

Implementation Procedures

Each Partner University will appoint a coordinator in order to supervise and facilitate the implementation of this MoU and the development of future exchange programs. The coordinators, working with other administrators and representatives from the departments of the respective universities participating in cooperation, will have the following responsibilities:

1. to promote academic collaboration on both faculty and graduate student level for research and education;
2. to act as principal contact point for individual and group activities;
3. to plan and coordinate all activities for which, cooperation with the partner university is desired;
4. to disseminate information about the ongoing activities and academic outcomes resulting from collaborative initiatives;
5. to provide access to facilities, research publications, library materials and educational resources of the partner institution;
6. if desirable, to evaluate regularly past activities and generate new ideas for future cooperation;
7. if necessary, to establish a working group consisting of representatives from faculties and departments in order to define the strategy for implementation of this MoU.

The coordinator for the **Azerbaijan Technical University** will be Dr. Fariz Mammadov, Vice-rector for International Relations.

The coordinator for the **Tokat Gaziosmanpaşa University** will be Merve Konyar, Coordinator of Rankings and Protocols Office.

Paragraph IV

Establishment of Further Collaboration

This general Memorandum of Understanding shall be identified as the parent document of any program executed by both Participants. Further agreements concerning any program should provide details concerning the specific commitments made by each part and shall not be effective until they have been agreed upon in writing and executed by the duly authorized representatives of the respective universities. The scope of the activities under this Agreement shall be determined

by and subject to the funds available in both institutions. No specific financial commitment by either Participant is to be derived from this MoU. Nothing in this MoU prevents centers, laboratories or institutes from engaging in mutually beneficial projects and sharing the cost.

Paragraph V

Financial Implications

The funding of activities related to this Memorandum of Understanding will be determined at the time a specific project for a specific activity is approved by both Participants to this Memorandum of Understanding. Both Participants understand that all financial arrangements which are negotiated will depend on the availability of funds.

Paragraph VI

Amendments

This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by written mutual consent of the Participants in form of separate Protocols being its integral part and coming into effect in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 10 of this Memorandum of Understanding.

Paragraph VII

Settlement of disagreements

Any disagreement between the two Participants resulting from the interpretation or implementation of the terms of this Memorandum of Understanding will be settled amicably by consultations and negotiations between both Participants and without recourse to any national or international court or third party for the purpose of settlement.

Paragraph VIII

Liability clauses

The Memorandum of Understanding does not create any rights and commitments regulated by international law.

Paragraph IX

Ethical Issues

Written consent should be granted by both Partner Institutions if any Party were to attempt to use the title: "Cooperating Institution", "Affiliated Institution" or the name of any university, or division thereof. The same procedure applies to the use of any logo, seal or insignia as part of a program, promotional material, brochure or website.

In addition, faculty members related to the current or any subsequent agreement are bound by the current academic practices associated to research and joint projects. In any case, when such an affiliation status is used, the coordinator must be notified in writing. Moreover, the researcher/faculty member must abide to the disciplinary and professional codes of ethics related to research. Furthermore, it is understood that neither institution is responsible for the content of any researcher's work. Ideally, a copy of the completed work should be handed to the coordinator.

Paragraph X

Enter into force and termination

This Memorandum of Understanding comes in force upon signing by Participants and shall remain in effect for **five (5) years**, unless terminated earlier by either institution.

This Memorandum of Understanding may be terminated by either of the Participants in written consent. In this case, the termination of the Memorandum of Understanding will take effect after the expiry of a **six (6) months** period after receiving the notification about its termination.

In the event of this Memorandum's expiry or termination, its provisions will continue to be implemented with respect to all ongoing programmes and projects until they are completed.

Signed in **two (2) original copies** on 22nd August, 2025, in the English language, all texts being equally authentic.

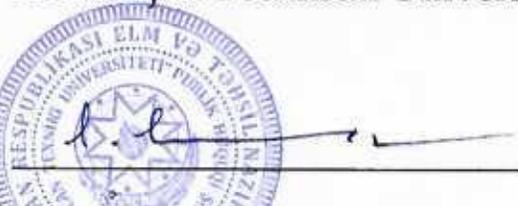
Paragraph XI

Authorization for the execution of the Memorandum of Understanding

For the MoU, the representatives shall be as follows:

On behalf of

Azerbaijan Technical University


Prof. Dr. Vilayat VALIYEV
Rector

Date:

On behalf of

Tokat Gaziosmanpaşa University


Prof. Dr. Fatih YILMAZ
Rector

Date: