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**AGREEMENT  
ON ACADEMIC EXCHANGE AND COOPERATION**

Between  
**UNIVERSITY OF SARAJEVO**

And  
**UNIVERSITY OF JOENSUU**

In order to strengthen the intellectual growth and international orientation of the faculty and students of the two universities, to help the universities carry out their academic objectives and to foster understanding between the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Finland, the University of Sarajevo and the University of Joensuu agree to cooperate in the following activities as and when appropriate:

- a) the exchange of research findings;
- b) the organising of workshops, symposia and other academic activities;
- c) the exchange of faculty;
- d) the exchange of students;
- e) the development of joint curricula.

**EXCHANGE OF RESEARCH FINDINGS**

To facilitate the identification of mutual research interests, the two universities agree to regularly exchange information on ongoing and completed research and on scholars interested in participating in the exchange programme.

**ORGANISING OF WORKSHOPS, SYMPOSIA AND OTHER  
ACTIVITIES**

The two universities may agree to organise workshops, symposia, conferences or other meetings on topics of mutual interest. The host university will assist in locating accommodation for the visiting students and faculty.

## **EXCHANGE OF FACULTY**

Faculty exchanges may be arranged from time to time as agreed by the appropriate parties at each institution. The host university shall help in providing an office and locating accommodation for the visiting faculty members. The dates and practical arrangements of each faculty exchange shall be agreed upon directly between the visitor and the host department.

## **EXCHANGE OF STUDENTS**

Each year, the University of Sarajevo and the University of Joensuu may exchange a small number of undergraduate or postgraduate students. These exchanges would be for one or two semesters. The number of students to be exchanged in any year shall be determined by mutual consent of the participating institutions on an annual basis. The number of students being exchanged shall not necessarily balance exactly in any given year, but should be approximately equal over a two-year period. The host institution university may reject any student not considered appropriate.

Each student shall be assigned to the care of a faculty member acting as a supervisor. Doctoral students shall have the opportunity to participate in ongoing research at both universities.

No tuition fees shall be charged from exchange students at the host institution. Students in this exchange programme are required to pay only for the optional study tours included in their academic programmes. Travel arrangements, accommodation, financial support and securing a student visa, residence permit, health insurance coverage, Student Union membership fees, and the like, are the responsibility of each exchange student. The services normally available to international students enrolled at the host institution shall be provided to an exchange student. Student exchanges between the two universities shall be coordinated by the International Relations Offices. Each university shall send proposals with the names of the candidates for an exchange, as well as their application forms, to the other university by the end of May for the students departing during the coming autumn semester and by the end of October for the students departing during the coming spring semester.

## **DEVELOPMENT OF JOINT CURRICULA**

In order to promote the objectives of the Bologna Declaration of 1999 and to deepen their already well-begun cooperation, the University of Sarajevo and the University of Joensuu shall continue to develop joint degree programmes and course modules. Whenever possible, funding for such projects shall be sought from external sources, e.g. the European Union, the United Nations, the World Bank, or other international organisations.

## DURATION OF THE AGREEMENT

This agreement shall remain in effect for five years. It shall be automatically extended unless one of the two parties expresses its wish to terminate the agreement by providing the other one with written notice at least one year prior to the intended termination.

The following signatures are affixed as acknowledgement and ratification of the terms of agreement stipulated above:

**University of Joensuu**



**University of Sarajevo**



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