



## **MEMORANDUM OF COLLABORATION**

Through this Memorandum of Collaboration (MOC) between the University of Central Lancashire Cyprus (UCLan Cyprus), represented by its Rector Professor Melinda Tan and Gorgan University of Agricultural sciences and Natural Resources (GUASNR IRAN) represented by its Rector Professor Ali Najafinejad, the aforementioned parties (hereinafter “institutions”) set onwards the basis upon which they intend to form a long-term and mutually-valuable relationship:

### **Article 1**

This MOC is intended as a first step towards bilateral exchange primarily of students and staff, research and teaching between the two institutions. It will serve as a basis for a more detailed Collaboration (hereinafter the “Collaboration”), to be signed prior to the initiation of exchanges. Both institutions intend to cooperate in the spirit of companionship to complete the final Collaboration.

### **Article 2**

By mutual agreement, the collaboration between the institutions may in due course be extended to promote amongst other, the following activities:

- Erasmus Mobility for students and faculty
- Joint research projects and programmes under Horizon 2020, Erasmus + etc.
- The exchange of Teaching Research Staff (TRF) across thematic areas
- Support for internships for exchange students and in international study visits
- Development of joint initiatives in teaching, research, knowledge transfer /training, conferences, outreach.

### **Article 3**

The details of each exchange of faculty will be discussed by both parties on one to one basis involving relevant university authorities.

Article 4

It is the intention of the institutions that the Agreement will be signed and come into effect so that exchanges can begin in 2016.

Article 5

This MOC shall be valid for three (3) years from the date of signing. It shall be reviewed by both parties six (6) months prior to expiry and may be renewed for a further term by mutual agreement.

**Institutional Representatives:**

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**Professor Melinda Tan**  
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