

## **COOPERATION AGREEMENT**

**between**

**Astrakhan State Technical University (Russian Federation)**

**And Gorgan University of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (IRAN)**

In order to establish and encourage closer ties, based on common goals in the area of specialist training in higher and post-graduate education as well as scientific work, Federal state-funded educational institution of higher professional education «Astrakhan State Technical University» (ASTU), on behalf of its Rector, professor Nevalennyy Aleksandr Nikolaevich and Gorgan University of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources on behalf of its Rector, professor Ali Najafinejad (here inafter referred to as parties), mutually agree to enter into the following agreement:

- I. The two partner institutions (parties) intend to expand their further cooperation in the following fields:
  - Joint academic mobility programs: student exchange within bachelor and master programs for training during various terms (semester, trimester, production, research and scientific practice);
  - Designing educational programs, accompanied by mutual recognition and inclusion of bachelor and master disciplines and modules into the students' transcripts;
  - Academic mobility for professors and scientists: delivering lectures, carrying out seminars, advisories, joint scientific research and methodological advice.
  - Experience and data exchange within educational and scientific activities, comprising introduction of new educational technologies into the learning process, which include joint conferences and seminars (inter alia on-line), professional knowledge transfer, update of training modules and research methods;
  - Encouraging bachelor, master and PhD exchange between higher professional institutions with the aim of training, scientific internships and professional development;
  - Reimbursable training of bachelors, masters, associates and doctors of sciences: merging scientific efforts during joint supervision over masters or PhD students;
  - Performing joint scientific research and development in the areas of mutual interest;
  - Preparation of joint scientific and methodological works (monographs, study books, scientific papers, etc.);
  - Inviting the parties' representatives with the aim of participation in scientific conferences, congresses and workshops of joint interest.

2. The present Agreement does not eliminate the possibility of organizing other events within cooperation. The list of the events can be extended and amended as agreed by the parties.
3. In order to carry out the foregoing forms cooperation by rectors and vice rectors of partner higher educational institutions, work programs on cooperation are agreed upon.
4. The present Agreement provides for drawing agreements by the parties on each article on specific types and scope of work, inter alia the terms of financial consideration of costs in according with the approved estimates.
5. The present Agreement is valid from the date of signing by the parties and can be cancelled by either party with a written note. All disputes and differences which may arise out of or in connection with the present Agreement will be settled as by means of negotiations between the parties.

All the amendments and addenda to the present Agreement are made only as agreed by both parties.

Dated:

For and behalf of Astrakhan State



Technical University

Rector, Professor

A.N. Nevalenny

Dated:

For and behalf of Gorgan University

of Agricultural Sciences and Natural

Resources

Rector, Professor

A.Najafinejad

