ACADEMIC COOPERATION PROTOCOL BETWEEN ISTINYE UNIVERSITY AND SALYMBEKOV UNIVERSITY

Purpose

ARTICLE 1- (1) Hereby this protocol was contracted between Istinye University, Turkey and the Salymbekov University, Kyrgyz Republic to promote and improve the cooperation and common understanding within the framework of the below-mentioned provisions.

Scope

Article 2- (1) Istinye University and Salymbekov University will be cooperating on the belowmentioned issues within the boundaries of country legislation and facilities.

- a) Common research studies consisting exchange of teaching assistants and instructors,
- b) Developing student exchange programs in accordance with legislation of each two countries and introducing dual degree programs,
- c) Exchanging academic research data and technical materials,
- d) Organizing academic and scientific activities such as conferences, seminars, symposium, congress,
- e) Publication and cooperation in cultural activities.
- (2) Exchanges to be done within the scope of common research studies will be planned pursuant to the facilities and conditions of each university, and the procedures and principles of the exchange program will be defined by a supplementary protocol to be signed between the parties.

Program and Activity

Article 3- (1) Programs and activities may be actualized after the written approval of each two universities.

(2) Expenses borne from all activities subject to the supplementary protocol signed between the parties in accordance with the regulations of the institutions.

Obligation of the Protocol

Article 4- (1) This protocol is not binding for each two parties financially.

- (2) Above-mentioned academic exchanges are limited by the legislation and budget sources of each two countries.
- (3) Signing this protocol does not impose an obligation to accept any specific agreement.
- (4) When an intellectual property right would be discussed because of the common activities carried out within the scope of this protocol, the parties regulate intellectual property rights before starting common project study.

Period of the Protocol

Article 5- (1) This protocol will be valid for the following 5 years as of signature date; this period may be extended with the written consensus of the parties.

(2) When needed, amendments may be done in this protocol and supplementary protocols with the common and written consensus of duly authorized representatives of two universities. Supplementary protocols and amendments will not be valid unless they are written and signed.

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- (3) If one of the universities wants to terminate the protocol, it shall communicate this intent to the other party at least six months ago in writing. In this case, existing projects will be continued until they are completed, and students of these programs will complete their education within the scope of this protocol.
- (4) This protocol, hereby, has been prepared as two original copies of equal validity, in Turkish and English languages. In case of discrepancy between the parties, English text shall prevail.

Termination of the Protocol

- **Article 6-** (1) In case of contradiction of one party to the protocol, other party may immediately terminate the protocol.
- (2) In case of termination, existing projects will be continued until they are completed, and students of these programs will complete their education within the scope of this protocol.
- (3) In case of termination of the protocol, all kinds of loss with its accessories shall be reimbursed by the causative party.

Applicable Law and Competent Court

ARTICLE 7- (1) Any dispute that may arise shall be settled through amicable negotiations of the Joint Committee composed of members appointed by both Parties, in accordance with the laws of Turkey and Kyrgyz Republic.

Fees and Taxes

ARTICLE 8- (1) Official fees and stamp tax, which must be paid in accordance with the Stamp Tax Law No. 4288, related to the Agreement will be paid by the Parties equally.

Contact Information

- **ARTICLE 9-** (1) The parties will designate one person or unit to be contacted in the application of this protocol.
- (2) Contact information for Istinye University: International Programs Directorate, Tel: +90 212 481 36 55, E-Mail: international@istinye.edu.tr
- (3) Contact information for Salymbekov University: E-mail: salymbekov.kg@gmail.com, Tel: +996 770 99 77 99

Enforcement

ARTICLE 10- (1) This Agreement, hereby, was drafted as of two (2) copies and consisting of 10 (ten) articles, 2 (two) pages and signed and executed by the parties on 15/01/2020

Signatory: Askar SALYMBEKOV

Position: President/ Founder

Date: /5/01/1020

Position: Rector

Signatory: Erdal KARAÖZ

Date: 16/01/10/20