



UNIVERSITY OF SILESIA
IN KATOWICE

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
FACULTY OF LAW OF THE TRNAVA UNIVERSITY IN TRNAVA,
SLOVAKIA
and
FACULTY OF LAW AND ADMINISTRATION, UNIVERSITY OF
SILESIA,
KATOWICE, POLAND

WHEREAS, the **Faculty of Law of the Trnava University in Trnava** (hereinafter “**PF TU**”), located at Kollárova 10,917 01 Trnava, Slovakia, represented by its Vice-Dean for International Relations **JUDr. Ing. Dominika Moravcová, PhD., LL.M, MBA** and the **Faculty of Law and Administration, University of Silesia, Katowice** (hereinafter “**UoS**”), located ul. Bankowa 12, 40-007 Katowice, Poland, represented by its Vice-Dean **prof. dr hab. Piotr Pinior**, acknowledge their strong mutual friendship and existing collaboration; and

WHEREAS, PF TU and UoS (hereinafter each known as a “Party” and collectively as the “Parties”) desire to enrich their respective educational and research programmes and to strengthen and expand the mutual contacts between both Parties;

NOW THEREFORE, in order to promote cooperation and exchange in education and research, the Parties hereby agree to the following:

I. Scope

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as the “Memorandum”) is to strengthen and further develop cooperation between the Faculty of Law of Trnava University in Trnava and the Faculty of Law and Administration, University of Silesia, Katowice in the fields of research and academic activities. The Memorandum aims to promote and deepen collaboration between the institutions, their departments, researchers, academic staff, and students, thereby fostering the exchange of knowledge, joint research initiatives, academic mobility, and other forms of mutually beneficial cooperation.

II. Activities under this Framework Agreement

- 2.1. Activities carried out under this Memorandum may be initiated by any academic department, research unit, or other organisational unit of either Party, in coordination with the respective administrative offices responsible for international cooperation and academic affairs.
- 2.2. All activities implemented pursuant to this Memorandum shall be conducted in accordance with the applicable policies, regulations, procedures, and internal rules of each Party.
- 2.3. Activities are considered here to include but not be limited to:
 - 2.3.1. Mutual promotion of academic events, conferences, and other activities that may be of interest to the other Party, subject to prior agreement between the Parties;
 - 2.3.2. Exchange of academic staff for purposes of teaching and research;
 - 2.3.3. Reciprocal assistance for visiting academic staff and students;
 - 2.3.4. Coordination of such activities as joint research, lectures and trainings;
 - 2.3.5. Exchange of students for study and research;
 - 2.3.6. Cooperating in project-related activities and jointly preparing and submitting research and funding proposals;
 - 2.3.7. Collaboration within Erasmus+ Blended Intensive Programmes;

III. Financial Aspects

- 3.1. Present Memorandum’s objectives are carried out purely on a voluntary basis, this Memorandum serves as a general framework to express the relationship and intention to cooperate between the Parties.
- 3.2. The financial conditions and implementation details for any particular case of cooperation will have to be defined in specific agreements that are negotiated with the respective academic units, to be approved by the Deans of the two Parties or by their appointed representatives.

IV. Characteristics of the Student Exchange Programme

4.1. The exchange students may take courses that are offered in foreign languages at the counterpart Institution.

4.2. At the end of each semester, the host Institution shall provide a Transcript of Records validating the academic performance of the exchange students.

4.3. The host Faculty, Institute or Department decides on the pre-study conditions, language requirements and other academic issues of the exchange student.

4.4. Exchange students are responsible for all the expenses related to transportation, health insurance and other expenses related to stay. This clause does not exclude the possibility of providing scholarships or other means of covering the costs to the students by any of the partners or other organizations.

4.5. Exchange students are subject to rules and regulations of the host Institution, and they must comply with them.

4.6. The exchange students shall have access to the services and infrastructure of the hosting Institution.

V. Data Management

5.1. In line with the objective of Open Science, this Academic Cooperation Programme aims to improve research efficiency by supporting data discovery, accessibility, interoperability, and re-use following the principle 'as open as possible, as closed as necessary' for sharing research data.

5.2. The data management and implementation details for any particular case will have to be defined in specific agreements negotiated with the respective academic units, to be approved by the Deans of the two Parties or by their representatives.

VI. Non-discrimination

Both Parties are committed to the policy that, subject to applicable laws, statutes, codes or guidelines, all persons shall have equal access to programmes, facilities, admission and employment without regard to personal characteristics not related to ability, performance or qualifications as determined by the respective policies of the PF TU and UoS, or by government authorities. Neither Party discriminates against any person on the basis of that person's age, race, colour, ancestry, national origin, religion, creed, sex, sexual orientation, marital or family status, pregnancy, pregnancy-related conditions, physical or mental disability, gender, gender identity or political ideas. Both Parties shall abide by these principles in the administration of

this Memorandum, and neither Party shall impose criteria on any scholars, faculty, students or staff which would violate these principles of non-discrimination. Nothing herein shall be deemed to create any obligation for either Party to violate any applicable law, statute, code or guideline in order to provide such access.

VII. Evaluation of Cooperation

The Academic Cooperation Programme undertaken pursuant to this Memorandum will be subject to mutual periodic evaluation by each Party's appropriate stakeholders.

VIII. Term, Amendment, Renewal, Termination

8.1. This Memorandum will become effective on the date of the last signature, for a period of five (5) years.

8.2. This Memorandum might be terminated before its expiration upon the request of one of the institutions. In the event this Memorandum expires, this situation shall not damage the students who had started their studies at the host institution, and they shall be able to complete them without any inconvenience.

8.3. Each Party shall have the right to terminate this Memorandum by providing written notice to the other Party at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of termination.

IX. Resolution of Disputes Clause

In the case of differences or disputes in the interpretation or application hereof, the Parties first agree to arrive to a direct and friendly solution. If the conflict still persists, the Parties, in mutual agreement, shall designate one or more mediators, depending on the complexity of the subject, and the mediator shall have recognized trajectory and technical solvency at an international level regarding the dispute being handled. In such case, the pertinent regulations to moderate the arbitral procedure shall be established by mutual agreement.

X. Originals

The Parties shall sign four (4) originals of this Memorandum in English.
Each Party shall retain two (2) English-language originals.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Memorandum has been executed by the Parties as of the last day written below:

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