

**MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION
BETWEEN
THE DIPLOMATIC ACADEMY OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOSOVO
AND
THE DIPLOMATIC ACADEMY OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
OF THE REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA¹**

The Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kosovo and the Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Albania hereinafter referred to as “Parties”.

Determined to increase and strengthen cooperation between each other, with the aim of formation, training and qualification of respective diplomats,

Agree as follows:

Article 1

The signatory parties of this Memorandum will cooperate on creating the basis and the legal conditions, for enhancement of contacts and study work, in the framework of mutual programs and activities.

Article 2

Priorities of this cooperation would be, as follows:

1. Training and improvement of the level of qualification for young diplomats and not only, in the fields of studies and practices, on:
 - a) Studies on foreign policy;
 - b) International Relations;
 - c) International Law;
 - d) International and Regional Economic Relations;
 - e) Political science, social and other disciplines, especially those of historical studies and albanological studies;
2. Mutual exchange of information on scientific, methodological and practical issues.

¹ THIS IS NOT AN ORIGINAL LANGUAGE VERSION!

Article 3

Parties will realize cooperation through:

1. Programs of basic courses and special courses;
2. Exchange of diplomats, lecturers, experts, scientific researchers and explorers;
3. Joint academic publications and researches;
4. Cooperation in preparation of qualification projects, academic and monographic;
5. Exchange of scientific resources and publications.

Article 4

Forms, duration and financial conditions of exchange and training of representatives of the parties will be carried out on the basis of reciprocity, and for them, there will be additional agreement between the parties.

Article 5

The diplomats of the Parties may participate in conferences, symposiums, scientific seminars and roundtables that will be held. The Parties shall notify each other about these activities.

They will promote the organization of conferences and symposiums, development of joint academic researches and realization of projects of common interest.

The Parties shall cooperate in the frame of international forums and organizations, where they are represented.

Article 6

Parties shall adopt organization of lectures and commentaries by the experts of the respective ministries, as well as from third parties, for academic audience on issues of common interest.

Article 7

For the implementation of this Memorandum of Cooperation and elaboration of projects, a working group will be tasked, co-chaired by the representatives assigned by the parties.

Article 8

The Joint Working Group will highlight priorities and recommend the projects, for realization of which, protocols and special annexes will be drafted.

Article 9

The provisions of this Memorandum of Cooperation may be changed by the prior consent, in writing, of the Parties.

Article 10

The modalities related to interpretation and implementation of this Memorandum of Cooperation will be reviewed through consultations between the Parties.

Article 11

This Memorandum of Cooperation shall enter into force on the date of signature and remains valid until one of the Parties notifies the other Party, in writing, 3 months in advance, through the diplomatic channel, about its termination.

Signed in Tirana, on 6th January 2016, in two original copies, in Albanian Language, both equally valid.

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