

Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation

Between

**National Library of Azerbaijan and National Library & Archives
of the Islamic Republic of Iran**

The National Library of Azerbaijan and the National Library and Archives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, and hereinafter referred to as "the Parties", with the aim of boosting cultural relations and develop mutual interests, in accordance with their domestic laws and regulations and in pursuit of former co operations of the Parties, have reached the following understanding:

Article 1: Sharing Information and Experiences and Exchanging of Professors and Experts

1. The Parties exchange experience and information related to library and information science, developing electronic resources and digital library, codification of manuscript resources, digitalization, resources sharing, acquisition, cataloguing, conservation and restoration of various sources and other specialized fields.
2. Exchange of professors and experts and visits to transfer experience in related fields will be in accordance with each country's laws and regulations. The exchange period of professors and experts will be defined according to the topic by mutual consent of the Parties.

Article 2: Exchange of Library Materials

1. The Parties exchange their own list of any exchangeable library resource including manuscripts, printed and non-book information resources and available information of new annual publications.



2. The Parties dispatches resources, books, periodicals, non-book materials and other electronic publications requested by the other Party.

3. The Parties make and dispatch digital copy of manuscript books and lithographs requested by the other Party.

Article 3: Holding Courses, Workshops, Exhibitions, seminars and Conferences (online and traditional)

1. The Parties hold joint exhibitions to introduce each other's organizations in other Party's organization. The exhibition may include showing images of manuscripts, films, documents, posters or pictures.

2. The Parties will cooperate in hosting and holding courses, training workshops, seminars and conferences (online and traditional).

3. The parties agree to receive visiting librarians from each other for a period of 4 days.

Accommodation and expenses of the librarians will be covered by the receiving country while the travel expenses will be covered by the sending country.

Article 4: Research Collaborations

The Parties cooperate in joint research in library and information science, bibliographic science, studies related to the both countries, Islamic studies and other fields of mutual interest and publication of professional articles in one another's journals.

Article 5: Final Provisions

1. Any divergence in interpretation or performance of this MOU will be settled through negotiations and consultations between the competent authorities of the Parties and through diplomatic channels.

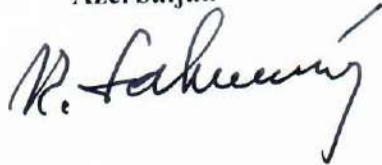


2. This MOU may be amended only by written mutual consent of the Parties. The amendments will be done in writing and will enter into effect on date of its signature by the Parties.

3. This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) will enter into effect on the date of its signature and remain in effect for a period of 5 years and will be automatically extended for successive 5 year periods, unless either Party notifies the other Party in writing of its intention to terminate it 6 months prior to the date of its expiry.

This MOU comprising of a preamble and five articles was signed in - on 2021/5/8 corresponding to 1400/3/18 S.H in duplicate in Azerbaijani, Persian and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of divergence in interpretation, the English text will prevail.

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