



AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY OF ATHENS  
ΓΕΩΠΟΝΙΚΟ ΠΑΝΕΠΙΣΤΗΜΙΟ ΑΘΗΝΩΝ



UNIVERSITY HAXHI ZEKA, PEJA,  
Republic of Kosovo

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN**

**AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY OF ATHENS (AUA)  
OF HELLENIC REPUBLIC**

**AND**

**UNIVERSITY HAXHI ZEKA PEJA,  
Campus UCK, Str. 30000, Peja,  
Republic of Kosovo  
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Agricultural University of Athens and the University Haxhi Zeka Peja, (hereinafter referred to as the "Parties")

For the purpose of promoting educational and scientific exchange and cooperation in the field of Agricultural Sciences,

*Have agreed as follows:*

**ARTICLE 1**

The Parties agree, in accordance with their respective interests and capabilities, to encourage and develop educational, scientific and research cooperation between the two Universities on the basis of equality and mutual benefit.

**ARTICLE 2**

The cooperation between the two Parties in the field of Agricultural Sciences shall be carried out in the following areas:

Agricultural Engineering, Agricultural Economics and Rural Development, Agricultural and Environmental Informatics, Applied Economics and Social Sciences, Agribusiness and Supply Chain Management

The Parties may explore other fields of cooperation after mutual consent.

### ARTICLE 3

The Parties shall, on a reciprocal basis, undertake such cooperation in the following forms:

- Exchanges of students, academic staff members, researchers and administrative personnel
- Implementation of joint research on projects of common interest
- Organization of training programs, seminars, conferences and academic meetings in either of the two Countries
- Exchange of technical information, publications, documents and other research outputs.

### ARTICLE 4

Regarding the academic staff exchange program and joint research, Parties further agree that:

- The hosting Party will provide a university appointment, library and research facilities, and other assistance as far as possible.
- The sending Party will maintain its academic staff on full salary during the period of the exchange and will cover the travel and accommodation expenses.
- Visiting participants will be responsible to obtain the necessary insurance coverage. The hosting university cannot be held responsible for any damage suffered or caused by visitors.
- Visitors will be abiding by the rules and regulations of the host university and by the national laws.

### ARTICLE 5

Regarding students' exchange programs, Parties also agree that:

Expenses for insurance travel and accommodation in the host country will be the responsibility of the participating student. It will be optional for each Party to cover part of the expenses of its own students.

### ARTICLE 6

Information concerning the types of training involved and their accessibility, the kinds of certificates to be issued and information about research programs and the research teams involved will be systematically exchanged between the two Parties.

### ARTICLE 7

The Parties share the joint achievements. They are responsible for neither transferring nor publicizing the information provided by both Parties and achievements through cooperation to a third Party, unless the common consensus in writing granted in advance.

## ARTICLE 8

The terms of cooperation for each specific activity implemented under this Bilateral Cooperation Agreement shall be mutually discussed and agreed upon in writing by both Parties prior to the initiation of that activity. Any such agreement entered into force, as outlined above, will form an Appendix to this Bilateral Cooperation Agreement.

## ARTICLE 9

Each Party shall nominate one of its members as its representative in charge of the cooperation programme.

The International and Public Relations Office of Agricultural University of Athens and the International Relations Office of Haxhi Zeka University will be the contact points between the Parties and responsible for the co-ordination of the specific activities agreed upon.

Through the International Relations Offices, both Parties may initiate proposals for activities and specific details of any such activities will be set forth in the Appendixes.

## ARTICLE 10

This Agreement shall enter into force on the day of its signing by both Parties and shall remain valid for a period of 5 years and may be revised or automatically prolonged for a period of 3 years, unless either of the two Parties gives the other written notice six months prior to the expiring date.

Done in two original copies in the English language.

<p>On behalf of Agricultural University of Athens</p> <p>Date: <u>24.08.2024</u></p>  <p>Spyridon Kintzios, Rector (signature, stamp)</p>	<p>On behalf of Haxhi Zeka University, Peja</p> <p>Date: <u>02/07/2024</u></p>  <p>Armand Krasniqi, Rector (signature, stamp)</p>
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