



PROTOCOL ON INTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL COOPERATION

between

YILDIZ TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY Istanbul, Republic of Turkey

and

AZERBAIJAN STATE MARINE ACADEMY Baku, Republic of Azerbaijan

Naval Architecture and Maritime Faculty of Yıldız Technical University (YTU) in Turkey and Azerbaijan State Marine Academy (ASMA) in Azerbaijan join in the following protocol on educational and scientific cooperation.

The two institutions will endeavor to cooperate in education and research in areas of mutual interests given below.

I. AREAS OF COOPERATION

Specific areas of cooperation between two institutions may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. To exchange of faculty members and researchers;
- 2. To exchange of students;
- 3. To organize joint research activities and lectures;
- 4. To carry out scientific research work together;
- 5. To carry out joint scientific conferences, symposiums, seminars and workshops;
- 6. To organize joint specialized and complex maritime scientific expeditions;
- 7. Systematically conduct co-operative cultural and sport activities;

II. EXCHANGE OF FACULTY

- 1. The host institution shall provide office space and give access to libraries and other facilities to exchange faculty and research scholars.
- 2. Faculty/scholar exchanges will normally be for the duration of one or two semesters, shorter or longer stays are possible, subject to mutual agreement.
- 3. Faculty/scholar exchanges remain subject to the approval of the host institution.
- 4. Visiting professor/scholars must carry medical health insurance in accordance with the rules and regulations of the host institutions and/or the host government,

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5. Teaching course loads, working hours and conditions shall normally be in accordance with established rules and practices of the host institution, subject to prior negotiation and agreement.

III. EXCHANGE OF STUDENTS

- 1. Such applications are honored by ASMA and YTU on the principle of reciprocity.
- 2. Exchange students shall be admitted as non-degree students for a period of fall, spring or for both semesters, and for a maximum of one academic year.
- 3. Exchange students may take courses for credit, and the host institution shall issue a transcript and grades for exchange students under the same rules and regulations as for its degree-seeking students.
- 4. So long as the principle of reciprocity is maintained, tuition and fees shall be waived for exchange students by the host institution.
- 5. Exchange students shall be recommended by the sending institution and follow established rules and procedures set forth by the host institution.
- 6. Travel and living expenses for the exchange students are borne by the students themselves.
- 7. Exchange students are required to get the proper visas prior to come to the host institution.

IV. RENEWAL, TERMINATION, AND AMENDMENT

- 1. These regulations are to be authorized by the official representative of both institutions in two copies, and each party will retain the original signed Protocol.
- 2. Except where specified and agreed upon, this Protocol will impose no financial obligation on the host institution.
- 3. The two institutions will evaluate each application in accordance with items pertaining to the implementation of the exchange programs based on this protocol.
- 4. The period of validity of this Protocol is for five (5) years. The present protocol will be automatically prolonged for the following five (5) years if no party informs the other one about termination of Protocol in the written form not later than six (6) months prior its expiration. This Protocol will become effective at the time it is signed by the authorized representatives of both institutions and after the approval of the Turkish Council of Higher Education.
- 5. Items not covered by the Protocol may be determined and negotiated separately by both institutions without abrogating this Protocol; the Protocol may be amended with the consent of both parties.

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