



## **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING IS SIGNED BETWEEN

**Jamia Millia Islamia University**

**Represented by Professor S. M. Sajid, Registrar**

**AND**

**KU Leuven – Faculty of Social Sciences and Faculty of Arts**

**Represented by Prof. Dr. Danny Pieters, Vice Rector of  
Internationalisation**

**Jamia Millia Islamia**, a Central University created by an enactment of the Parliament of India (i.e. the Jamia Millia Islamia Act, 1988) and is a body corporate with a perpetual succession and a common seal.

**KU Leuven** (University of Leuven) was founded in 1425 and has been a centre of learning for almost six centuries. Today, it is Belgium's largest and highest-ranked university as well as one of the oldest and most renowned universities in Europe.

AND WHEREAS it is the statutory object of the Jamia Millia Islamia University to disseminate and advance knowledge by providing instructional, research and extension facilities in such branches of learning as it may deem fit and it shall endeavor to provide to students and academic staff the necessary atmosphere and facilities for the promotion of:

- i. innovations in education leading to restructuring of courses, new methods of teaching and learning and integral development of personality;
- ii. studies in various disciplines;
- iii. interdisciplinary studies;
- iv. national integration, secularism and international understanding.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Jamia Millia Islamia and KU Leuven, Faculty of Social Sciences and Faculty of Arts have intended, agreed and consented to the **following terms and deeds** in pursuance of a common intent to promote and develop collaborative effort to undertake joint research, faculty exchange and curriculum development.

#### **1. FIELDS OF CO-OPERATION**

(a) Both the institutions shall set up a mutually acceptable schedule to develop programs, hold seminars and exchange visits in the fields of Social Sciences and Arts, with a special focus on journalism studies

- (b) The said academic interaction and intellectual assimilation may include:
- i. Faculty /staff training and exchange;
  - ii. Seminars, research, conferences and workshops;
  - iii. Collaboration in the sharing of academic data, scientific information, intellectual property, articles and publications;
  - iv. Advice missions, placements and executive training.

## **2. EXCHANGE OF ACADEMIC STAFF**

(a) Reciprocal arrangements based on mutually acceptable terms shall be accomplished to give an impetus to collaborative research and joint projects. Academic staff of both the institutions shall be encouraged to work in tandem in the domains of Social Sciences and Arts.

(b) Issues relating to travel, boarding, lodging, miscellaneous expenses shall vary according to the rules, regulations and policies of each institution.

(c) Each host institution will provide appropriate status (Visiting Scholar or equivalent) to the exchange academic staff accepted from the sending institution. The host institution will provide appropriate working space and access to the library, internet and other facilities.

## **3. MISCELLANEOUS**

(a) The details for the efficacious implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be jointly worked out on mutually acceptable terms within the parameters of the policies, rules and regulations of both the institutions.

(b) The parties to this Memorandum may, by mutual consent, add modify, amend, delete review or revise any term(s) and condition(s) of this Agreement.

(c) The intent and implementation of this Memorandum is **SUBJECT** to the policies of the respective States (in case of international agreements) and the laws of the land.

(d) This Memorandum of Understanding shall remain in force for a period of 3 years from the date of its signature and seal, and may be terminated by either side by giving a six months period notice to that effect in writing. However, notwithstanding the Notice of the intent to terminate the Memorandum, all rights, obligations and corresponding duties flowing and subsisting therein shall be respected and mandated till the finalisation and accomplishment thereof.

(e) The parties to this Memorandum of Understanding undertake to treat as **“confidential and privileged”** information of the other institution which is so classified in advance. The terms of confidentiality and mode of disclosure shall be as per mutually acceptable terms.

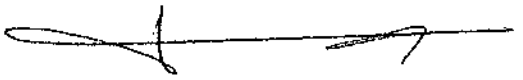
(f) This Memorandum of Understanding shall require the ratification of the competent academic / executive body of both the institutions.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** this Memorandum of Understanding has been executed by the parties hereto.

**For and on behalf of  
Jamia Millia Islamia University**

**For and on behalf of  
KU Leuven – Faculty of Social  
Sciences and Faculty of Arts**

*Shahid Ashraf*  
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*Prof. Shahid Ashraf*  
~~Prof. S. M. Sajid~~  
Registrar, Jamia Millia Islamia

  
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Prof. Dr. Danny Pieters  
Vice Rector of  
Internationalisation

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 4-10-2013

**WITNESSES**

1. Dr. Biswajit Das, Professor and Director, Centre for Culture, Media & Governance (CCMG), Jamia Millia Islamia, University, Jamia Nagar, New Delhi, India.
2. Prof. Dr. Leen d'Haenens, Vice Dean internationalisation, Faculty of Social Sciences, KU Leuven, Belgium.





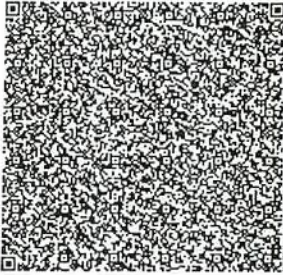
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