



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) ON ACADEMIC COOPERATION

In order to promote academic cooperation and collaboration among think tanks, scientific and educational institutions, the two counterpart institutions, namely the Institute of Oriental Studies of the National Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Armenia, Yerevan, Armenia, and Koya University hereby agree:

- To periodically exchange selected publications; working papers; and other research reports of both institutions of interest to each other.
- To explore the possibilities of holding periodic bilateral dialogues; workshops; and conferences on economic; political; security; social, educational, and cultural issues for strengthening bilateral relations between the Republic of Armenia and the Kurdistan Region of Iraq.
- To explore the possibilities of and to organize collaborative research studies of mutual interest to both institutions through visits and exchange of scholars to a specified duration of time for working at the counterpart institution.
- To facilitate and to the extent possible provide support to the distinguished visitors and researchers from both countries for meeting other scholars and policymakers for sharing experiences on policy and other issues of mutual interest.

- To enhance cooperation between the two institutions in any other ways which meet the objectives of both counterpart institutions.

The operational details of activities shall be determined in writing through mutual discussions and agreement between both counterpart institutions on a case-by-case basis and by mutual national interests and reciprocity.

The sending institution shall bear the international travel costs of its representatives, while the receiving institution shall provide reasonable board, lodging, local transport, and any other assistance that might be mutually agreed upon.

This MOU comes into force with immediate effect and will be valid for three years. It can be renewed after three years. It can be terminated by either of the counterpart institutions by giving three months' notice in writing.



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