



ARISTOTLE  
UNIVERSITY OF  
THESSALONIKI



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
**between the**  
**SOUTH URAL STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**and the**  
**ARISTOTLE UNIVERSITY OF THESSALONIKI**

**I. PREAMBLE**

In accordance with a mutual objective to promote further cooperation between Greece and Russia, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and Federal State State-Financed Educational Institution of Higher Professional Education "South Ural State University" (National Research University) hereby jointly enter into a bilateral linkage, focusing on the development of their institutions' programs. They will jointly develop and implement activities to improve their capacities to serve their respective clientele in Greece and in Russia. This linkage is developed based upon the institutions' commonality of interests and their belief that a linkage between them would strengthen their joint and individual capacities.

**II. OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of this linkage are to develop long-term cooperative activities. The activities may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1) Share knowledge
- 2) Develop collaborative research and education programs
- 3) Develop exchange and professional development programs for students, staff and faculty.
- 4) Conduct seminars and workshops.
- 5) Share new technologies and new methods of management through extension and other programs.
- 6) Seek funding opportunities for joint activities which provide mutual benefit to each institution's teaching,
- 7) Seek funding opportunities for joint activities which provide mutual benefit to each institution's teaching, research and outreach programs.

**III. PROGRAM MANAGEMENT**

South Ural State University and Aristotle University of Thessaloniki jointly agree to develop and establish provisions for program implementation that will serve the mutual interest of both institutions.

It is understood that the details of joint activities, conditions for utilization of results achieved, and arrangements for specific visits, exchanges and other forms of cooperation will be negotiated for each specific type of activity.

It is also understood that financial arrangements will be negotiated in each specific type of activity and will depend upon the availability of funds. Each party agrees to seek financial resources for supporting the exchange and collaboration. The contact and exchanges between the two parties shall be on the basis of friendship, equality, and mutual assistance.

#### IV. TERMS OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement is effective on the date of the last signature here to and will remain in effect for an initial period of three (3) years and may be extended for a period as mutually agreed by both parties. The Agreement can be terminated by either institutions by giving one year's notice to the other party. The activities under this Agreement will be reviewed on an annual basis as mutually agreed and plans for future activities will be developed each year immediately following the review.


#### V. SIGNATURES

The parties hereto, through the duly authorized representatives, hereby agree to the provisions and terms of this linkage Agreement.


For the  
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki  
The Rector



Prof. PERICLES A. MITKAS  
Thessaloniki, 8.3.2016



For the  
South Ural State University  
The Rector



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