



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between the

Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (AUTH), Greece

and

Philipps-Universität Marburg (UMR), Germany

(Collectively “the Parties”)

Recognizing the mutual interests and goals in developing a framework for academic and research collaboration, the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and Philipps-Universität Marburg hereby agree to work together for the purpose of establishing long-term, mutually beneficial programs to promote international opportunities for students and faculty.

Whereas the parties acknowledge the existing Erasmus partnerships (UMR: Department of Law, Department of Protestant Theology, Department of History and Cultural Studies/Classical Archeology; AUTH: School of Law, School of Pastoral and Social Theology, School of History and Archeology, School of Political Sciences, School of Economics); collaboration within the Erasmus NORM project and the planned project “The Archaeology of Byzantine Economy: material culture, networks and mobility” within the DAAD funding program “Hochschulpartnerschaften mit Griechenland 2023-2025” (University Partnerships with Greece 2023-2025) as basis for their mutual interests.

1. Both Parties agree to exercise their best efforts to develop the following areas for collaboration in keeping with the mandates of each Party:
 - (a) Project-based collaborative activities
 - (b) Organization of joint events, (online) conferences, (online) seminars, (online) symposiums and (online) talks
 - (c) Academic staff mobility
 - (d) Student mobility

- (e) Research collaboration
 - (f) Supervision of visiting research students
 - (g) Joint supervision (cotutelle) of doctoral dissertations
2. Any activity carried out within the broad framework of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be subject to the mutual consent of both institutions taking into account constraints of time, funding and other relevant resources.
 3. Funds needed to implement the actions planned during the period of this MOU shall be defined by mutual agreement.
 4. Each activity will be governed by terms and conditions to be separately negotiated and mutually agreed by both institutions through an exchange of letters or the signing of a separate joint agreement.
 5. Except as expressly provided herein, neither Party will be liable to the other for any costs, expenses, risks, or liabilities arising out of the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding.
 6. General Provisions
 - (a) Each Party is an independent entity and has no authority to represent or bind the other Party.
 - (b) Any dispute of difference that may arise between the Parties relating to any matter under this MOU will be settled amicably through consultations and negotiation between the Parties.
 - (c) This Memorandum of Understanding is binding upon and endures to the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
 7. In the event of activities, under this MOU, resulting in intellectual property, ownership will be regulated in accordance with applicable national and international laws and will be duly negotiated by both Parties.
 8. This Memorandum of Understanding shall be effective for five (5) years and it will be reviewed and renewed for successive additional periods of five (5) years by mutual agreement in writing.

9. This Memorandum of Understanding may be terminated at any time by either party providing six (6) months written notice to the other party of its intention to do so.

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


For and on behalf of
Philipps-Universität Marburg



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Prof. Dr. Thomas Nauss
President

For and on behalf of the
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki



The seal of Aristotle University of Thessaloniki is circular, featuring a central figure and Greek text around the perimeter. A blue ink signature is written across the seal.

Professor Nikolaos G. Papaioannou
Rector

Thessaloniki, 5/4/2022