



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN

KARLSRUHE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND ARISTOTLE UNIVERSITY OF THESSALONIKI

The Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) with registered office at Kaiserstrasse 12, 76131 Karlsruhe, Germany and the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki with registered office at University Campus, Thessaloniki 54121, Greece, desiring to deepen collaborative relations between the two institutions to promote friendship and co-operate in mutually beneficial association have agreed that;

- 1. The two institutions shall encourage co-operation in research, teaching and transfer in any disciplines, which are part of the research and teaching profile of both institutions, with a particular focus on but not limited to geo- and environmental sciences, informatics, and contributing to the establishment of the European University EPICUR together with their European partners.
- 2. The two institutions shall seek to promote:
 - Joint research activities.
 - Joint doctoral and PhD education
 - Exchange of information and materials that are of mutual interest,
 - Exchange between the two institutions of:
 - (i) Academic and administrative staff
 - (ii) Research staff
 - (iii) Visiting scholars
 - (iv) Students
 - (v) Other staff mutually agreed upon
 - Provision of briefing support by each institution for visitors from the other institution,
 - Other forms of co-operation which the two institutions may jointly arrange.
- 3. The two institutions shall decide through consultation the specific areas and details of cooperation within the framework of this agreement and shall consult from time to time at the request to either institution for the purpose of reviewing the operation of this agreement.
- 4. The terms of co-operation for each specific activity implemented under this Memorandum of Understanding shall be agreed upon in writing by both parties separately and prior to the initiation of that activity. There is no obligation for any of the partners of this MoU to conclude any agreements whatsoever, and therefore not subject to any legal jurisdiction.
- 5. In principle, each institution bears its own costs and expenses, in particular those incurring in the initiation of specific activities (according to section 2) and the negotiation of the corresponding written agreements. The bearing of such costs, which arise in the course of the implementation of the specific activities, shall be agreed upon separately in writing within the specific agreements by both parties prior to the initiation of that activity.
- 6. This MoU shall come into force upon signature thereof by both institutions and shall remain in force for a period of five (5) years.

- 7. Either institution may terminate this MoU by giving six (6) months notice in writing to the other institution. Any specific agreements concerning projects, training, or exchanges that may have commenced at either institution before the date of termination may be completed between the two institutions.
- The institutions shall confer concerning the renewal of this Memorandum of Understanding six (6) months prior to the date of expiration.
- 9. Nothing in this MoU shall be deemed to require a partner to breach any mandatory statutory law under which the partner is operating. The provisions of this MoU shall be applied in accordance with the laws and regulations in force in each country.

For, and on behalf of, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology

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Date: 21/8/2021

For and on behalf of, istolle University of Thessaloniki

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