

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

National Center for Educational Quality Enhancement (NCEQE), Georgia
and

National Centre for Professional Education Quality Assurance Foundation (ANQA), Armenia

Taking into consideration the aspiration of the Participants of this Memorandum to establish cooperation in the field of higher education quality assurance, striving to create an effective system for the exchange of best practices and experiences and to establish partnerships.

The National Center for Educational Quality Enhancement (NCEQE)

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and

“National Centre for Professional Education Quality Assurance” Foundation (ANQA)
22 Orbeli Str., 0028, Yerevan

hereinafter referred to as "the Parties", basing ourselves on principles of mutual understanding, mutual respect and mutually beneficial cooperation, have concluded this Memorandum on the following:

ARTICLE 1

The Parties shall cooperate through consultations, information exchange and joint activities in the field of Quality Assurance of Higher and Vocational Education.

ARTICLE 2

To coordinate their joint efforts based on this Memorandum, the Parties cooperate in the following areas:

- organization and implementation of joint events, roundtables, conferences, and trainings on quality assurance of higher and vocational education-related topics;
- staff and experts' mobility;
- provision of informational, methodological, consulting, organizational, research and scientific support;
- designing and implementing joint innovative and/or research projects;
- exchange of experts;
- other areas defined by common needs.

ARTICLE 3

The Parties undertake to act on the basis of the principles of mutual respect, integrity and competence, in accordance with the domestic law of the Parties.

ARTICLE 4

By mutual agreement, the Parties shall publish information in their respective periodicals and web pages on joint events, programs, projects, and inform the scientific community and society at large of the results of their cooperation under this Memorandum.

ARTICLE 5

This Memorandum does not entail financial obligations.

Any financial obligations that may arise as a result of implementing the provisions of this Memorandum will be specified in separate agreements between the Parties.

By mutual agreement, the right to use the results of activities arising from the provisions of this Memorandum is vested in the Parties.

ARTICLE 6

This Memorandum does not preclude other forms of cooperation previously agreed upon by the Parties which do not conflict with the provisions of the Parties' charters and the purposes of this Memorandum.

Disputes related to the interpretation or application of the provisions of this Memorandum after its entry into force will be resolved through negotiation and consultations.

The text of this Memorandum may be amended only by written agreement between both Parties duly signed by the authorized representative of ANQA and NCEQE.

ARTICLE 7

This Memorandum shall enter into force upon signature by both parties and it shall be valid for five (5) years.

The Memorandum shall be extended automatically for a further five (5) years period, unless either party provides written notice of termination prior to its expiration.

Either Party may terminate this Memorandum by providing written notification of its intention to the other Party. In such a case, this Memorandum shall cease to have an effect one month after the receipt of the relevant notification.

Should this Memorandum be terminated, it shall not affect the joint programs and projects launched within it until their full implementation.

This Memorandum is issued in two (2) original copies in the English language, which are authentic and have the same legal force.

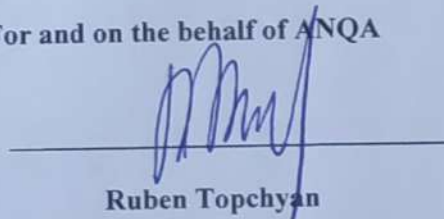
SIGNATURES:

For and on behalf of NCEQE



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