



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING between the UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE and the ARISTOTLE UNIVERSITY OF THESSALONIKI

I. PREAMBLE

In accordance with a mutual objective to promote further cooperation between Greece and the United States of America, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and the University of Delaware, Newark, DE, 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 academic communities in Greece and in the United States. 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 cooperation 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, research and outreach programs.

III. PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

The University of Delaware 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. ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Academic freedom is a core value of the University of Delaware and is a necessary condition for the production and dissemination of knowledge. Academic freedom is the freedom to teach, both in and outside the classroom, to conduct research and other scholarly or creative activities, and to publish or otherwise disseminate the results. Academic freedom also encompasses the freedom to address any matter of institutional policy or action. Faculty have the freedom to address the larger community with regard to any social, political, economic, or other interest. Academic freedom comes with academic responsibility, which is the faithful performance of professional duties and obligations, the recognition of the demands of the scholarly enterprise, and the candor to make it clear that, when one is speaking as a citizen on matters of public interest, one is not speaking for the institution.

V. 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 institution 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 their duly authorized representatives, hereby agree to the provisions and terms of this linkage Agreement.

For the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki The Rector

For the University of Delaware The President

Prof. PERICLES A. MITKAS

Date

teb. 4.2019

Prof. DENNIS ASSANIS

Date: