

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)
between Saint-Petersburg State Marine University & Sharif University of Technology

Saint-Petersburg State Marine Technical University (Russia), hereinafter called SMTU, and Sharif University of Technology (Islamic Republic of Iran), hereinafter called SUT, after discussions of possibilities of cooperation through Faculty of Shipbuilding and Ocean Engineering (SMTU) and Marine Engineering Group (SUT) agreed to cooperate in the following directions

- *Exchange of Professors and students*
- *Joint research in the field of mutual interest*
- *Participation in reciprocal science & technology seminars and conferences*
- *Training of SUT students and researchers at SMTU*
- *Sabbatical leave of the SUT Professors at SMTU*

Whereas

SUT is one of the largest Universities in the Islamic Republic of Iran with major activities in the field of engineering & technology and

SMTU is a unique Russian University specializing in the field of shipbuilding and ocean engineering

Both Universities express intention to set up a joint program of training of 3-4 SUT students and researchers at SMTU annually for a period of four months and of an sabbatical leave of one SUT Professor for a period of 6 months extendable to 12 months.

Therewith

SUT will cover expenses related to training of the students and researchers and sabbatical leave of Professors based on the rates adopted at SMTU.

The topics of research of the SUT students and researchers at SMTU will be discussed and endorsed by both Universities.

SMTU will select supervisors for the SUT students and researchers with account of the topics proposed by SUT.

The SUT candidates expressing willingness to participate in the training program must have

- Proficiency in English,
- Acceptance from a qualified faculty member of SMTU,

The SMTU faculty member who accepted a student or researcher from SUT shall be committed to his/her full responsibilities as a mentor for the student or researcher. The visiting student/researcher is supposed to provide monthly reports describing the progress in his/her work to both SMTU and SUT mentors.



All scientific papers ensuing from the SUT students'/researchers' work under supervision of the SMTU faculty member shall be published with names of both Universities.

Joint Working Committee

To organize implementation of the Program in accordance with intentions of SUT and SMTU as expressed in this MoU there shall be set up a Joint Working Committee comprising individuals designated correspondingly by SUT and SMTU and meeting at least once every six months for discussion and management of the Program in compliance with this MoU.

Duration and Termination

This MoU shall come in force after signing by both Universities and shall remain in force unless terminated by one of the Universities by giving written notice to the other University thirty days in advance. In the case such termination occurs the provision of this MoU shall continue to apply to ongoing activities until their completion.

Other issues

Nothing contained herein shall be construed so as to constitute a joint venture partnership or formal business organization of any kind between the Universities or so to constitute either University as the agent of the other.

The Program shall be carried out in accordance with laws and regulations of the Russian Federation.

Decisions of the Universities concerning individuals/groups delegated by SUT for training and sabbatical leave at SMTU shall be documented in separate letters with indication of the names of the trainees and supervisors, topics of research, period of training/sabbatical leave and sources of funding.

In executing this MoU the SMTU contact person will be Professor Kirill V. Rozhdestvensky and the SUT contact person will be Professor Mohammad S. Seif.

In **witness whereof** the undersigned representing their respective Universities hereby sign and approve this MoU to duplicate one copy for each signing University

Signed by and for and on behalf of

Signed by and for and on behalf of

Sharif University of Technology

Saint-Petersburg State Marine Technical University

Masoud SA
Vice-Rector
In the presence of
M. Seif

A. Rozhdestvensky
Vice-Rector
In the presence of
K. V. Rozhdestvensky

Witness by Center for innovation and technology (CITC)

S. B. Kermani
PRESIDENCY
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