

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
SHARIF UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY,  
ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN  
AND  
LOMONOSOV MOSCOW STATE UNIVERSTIY,  
RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

In accordance with a desire to promote cooperation in areas of mutual interest for the benefit of both institutions, Sharif University of Technology, located at Azadi Ave, Tehran, 11365-11155, Iran (hereafter referred to as "SUT"), and Lomonosov Moscow State University, located at, GSP-1, Leninskie Gory, Moscow, 119991, Russian Federation (hereafter referred to as "MSU") hereby enter into the following agreement:

**Article 1. Purposes:** The purposes of the cooperation between SUT and MSU are:

- to promote interest in the teaching and research activities of the respective parties; and
- to deepen the understanding of the economic, cultural and social contexts of the respective parties.

**Article 2. Cooperation Types:** SUT and MSU shall engage in cooperation in fields of common interest and shall develop joint projects in these fields. Both parties shall seek to engage in the following types of cooperation, subject to future specific implementing agreements signed by the chief academic officer of each party:

- Exchange of materials, documents and equipments;
- Exchange of scholars for participation in seminars, conferences and other academic meetings;
- Collaborative research in any field of interest to both parties;
- Organization of conferences;
- Any other action that the parties decide to undertake upon a mutual agreement.

**Article 3. Subsidiary Agreements:** The parties understand that this MOU cannot detail how each collaborative project will be implemented, administered, or funded. As a result, the parties agree that they will need to enter into separate subsidiary agreements for each project that is selected for undertaking pursuant to this MOU. Each subsidiary agreement will address the scope of work; each party's contributions and obligations to the project; the administration, coordination and implementation of the project; the respective rights of each party to own, use and license intellectual property that is developed in the course of the project, and other issues the parties may mutually agree to address.

**Article 4. Coordinators:** Each party shall designate a coordinator to oversee and facilitate the implementation of the MOU.

**Article 5. Disputes:** The parties shall cooperate mutually to resolve any disputes or misunderstandings by collaboration and discussion. Governing law shall be negotiated and defined for each subsidiary agreement signed for individual projects and activities.

**Article 6. Financial Agreements:** Both parties understand that all financial arrangements will have to be negotiated separately and will depend on the availability of funds. Both parties agree to exercise their best efforts in securing outside funding for joint projects.

**Article 7. Nondisclosure Agreements:** To protect the interests of both parties, if one party wishes to disclose to the other party information that the disclosing party considers to be proprietary, non-public, and confidential in the course of conducting discussions or performing work under a separate subsidiary research agreement, the parties shall execute a nondisclosure agreement.

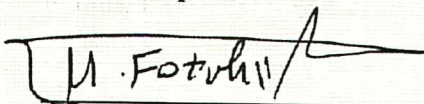
**Article 8. Principles of Equal Opportunity and Non-Discrimination:** It is understood that both SUT and MSU subscribe to the principle of equal opportunity and do not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, age, ethnicity, religion, or national origin. Both SUT and MSU shall abide by these principles in the administration of this agreement and neither party shall impose criteria for exchange of scholars or Hamid Mehdigholidents, which violate principles of nondiscrimination.

**Article 9. Term, Review, and Renewal:** This MOU shall take effect on the date that it is fully signed by official representatives of both parties and be valid for five (5) years. Both parties shall review the status of the agreement at the end of each five-year period to determine any modifications that might be necessary. The period of validity of this agreement may be extended by mutual consent.

**Article 10. Termination:** Either party may terminate the MOU with written notification, signed by a designated official of the party initiating termination. Such notification must be given at least six months in advance of the effective date of termination. Termination shall be without penalty and shall not affect students already enrolled and participating in a program.

**Article 11. Copies:** This agreement is signed in two copies in English.

**Sharif University of Technology  
Islamic Republic of Iran**

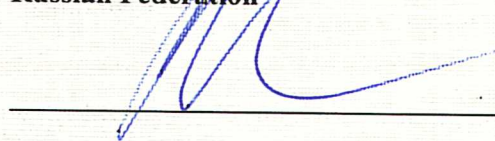


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July 15, 2020

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Russian Federation**



Prof. Victor Antonovych SADOVNICHY  
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15/07/2020