

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

UNIVERSITY OF STRATHCLYDE

AND

**Al-Kitab UNIVERSITY**

The Parties to this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) are the **Al-Kitab University**, a private institution of higher education located in Kirkuk, Iraq and the **University of Strathclyde**, an institution of higher education in Glasgow, Scotland

### **A. Background and Purpose**

The parties believe that it is in their best interests to encourage direct contact and cooperation between their faculty members, departments, institutes and other research centers in order to foster the development of possible collaborative projects and activities in fields of academic programmes and systems development, teaching and research, service learning, and technology to be agreed upon, subject to the availability of funding and the development of specific binding agreements. The parties have entered into this MOU for the purpose of setting forth their mutual understanding and agreement with respect to such direct contact and the development of potential of cooperative programs.

#### **B. Scope of Cooperation**

The scope of collaboration on academic and research related activities shall include the following categories:

1. Teaching and training cooperation including UG, PGT and PGR
2. Academic staff and student exchange
3. Curriculum development
4. Joint Research projects and grant applications
5. Internationalization of academic programmes, and training
6. Joint conferences, workshops and Seminars.

#### **C. Future Agreements**

The parties anticipate that specific collaborative projects or activities that the parties wish to implement will, as appropriate, be undertaken pursuant to future agreements entered into in accordance with applicable laws and the rules of each party.

#### **D. Continuation of All Current Policies**

During the course of the discussions contemplated by this MOU, the parties will continue to operate their respective academic programs in accordance with their established policies, rules and procedures.

#### **E. Term of MOU**

This MOU shall be effective on the last signature date and shall continue in effect for a period of five (5) years thereafter unless terminated as provided for herein.

Either party can terminate this MOU for any reason upon six (6) months prior written notice to the other party. At the end of its effective period, this MOU may be renewed upon written mutual agreement of the parties.



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**Glasgow**



**F. Publicity**

Nothing in this MOU shall be construed as granting either party permission to use the other party's official names, logos, trademarks, or copyright protected insignias in any promotional, publicity or advertising materials without the express written consent of the other party.

**G. Nonbinding Terms**

This MOU shall not be construed as creating any legally binding rights or obligation on the part of either party and shall not be enforceable in law or equity in any court or tribunal for any purpose.

Signed for on behalf of

Al-Kitab University, Iraq

Professor Ayad Barzncy  
President

21-6-2024  
Date

Signed for on behalf of

University of Strathclyde, UK

Professor Sir Jim McDonald  
Principal/Vice Chancellor

21<sup>st</sup> June 2024  
Date