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OIC Standing Committee on Scientific and Technological Cooperation. 33, Constitution Avenue, Islamabad, Pakistan



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR SCIENTIFIC COLLABORATION

between

International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (hereinafter referred to as IIASA) with address at Schlossplatz 1, A-2361 Laxenburg, Austria, and represented for the purpose of signing this Memorandum of Understanding by Professor Dr. Pavel Kabat, Director General and Chief Executive Officer

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<u>COMSTECH</u>, the Ministerial Standing Committee on Scientific and Technological Cooperation of the <u>OIC</u> (Organization of Islamic Cooperation) (hereinafter referred to as COMSTECH), with address at 33-Constitution Avenue, G-5/2, Islamabad, Pakistan, represented by for the purpose of signing this Memorandum of Understanding by Dr. Shaukat Hameed Khan, Coordinator General, COMSTECH.

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hereinafter referred to as the Parties, and considering mutual interests in international cooperation in scientific research, specifically toward broadening national and regional capacities to apply systems analysis and systems approaches to issues related to environment, air pollution, health, risk, population, food, water, energy and climate studies, the assessment of vulnerability and adaptation to climate change, and on the diffusion and adoption of policies for sustainable development, the parties have agreed to collaborate in building capacity in systems analysis training, targeted toward the early career scientists and policy makers of the OIC nations.

Scope of Collaboration

The object of this Cooperation Agreement is the promotion of cooperation between COMSTECH and IIASA, in order to support mutual research and capacity development goals of the institutions, for the support of application of systems approaches and scientific insights in areas of knowledge considered to be a priority.

Such collaboration will be directed towards, but not limited to:

- Support for participation by OIC nation young scientists in IIASA's YSSP, postdoctoral, and other capacity development programs;
- Cooperation with COMSTECH in capacity development activities related to systems analysis and systems approaches, targeted toward early and mid-career scientists in OIC nations;

 Cooperation with COMSTECH in outreach activities to increase awareness of IIASA-related opportunities in the science and policy communities of OIC nations, and to foster cooperation between COMSTECH and the global IIASA network;

Implementation

The implementation of any specific form of collaboration as listed above shall be mutually agreed upon by the Parties and be subject to a separate Agreement. This Memorandum of Understanding does not provide such authority. Negotiation, execution and administration of any Agreements under this Memorandum of Understanding must comply with all applicable statutes and regulations.

Nothing in this Agreement shall obligate either of the Parties to transfer any funds. Specific work projects or activities that involve the transfer of funds, services, or property between the Parties will require execution of separate agreements and be contingent upon availability of appropriate funds.

All mutual exchange or visits are done on the conditions agreed with the receiving party.

Intellectual Property Protection

COMSTECH and IIASA agree to respect each other's rights to intellectual property. Further, the intellectual property rights that arise as a result of any collaborative research or activity under this MoU will be worked out on a case-to-case basis.

Coordination

Responsible for the coordination of any activities are: from IIASA, Dr. Margaret Goud Collins, IIASA Program Director, Capacity Development and Academic Training, and from COMSTECH, Dr. Shaukat Hameed Khan, Coordinator General, COMSTECH or his nominee.

Terms

This Memorandum of Understanding is valid for five years upon signature by representatives of the Parties. Each Party may terminate this MoU with a 90 day written notice to the other Party.

For IIASA

Prof. Dr. Pavel Kabat Director General and CEO IIASA

Date:

For COMSTECH

Dr. Shaukat Hameed Khan
Coordinator General

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Date: 06 June, 2016