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## MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION AND PARTNERSHIP

between University of Ruse "Angel Kanchev", Bulgaria and Public University  
"Kadri Zeka", Gjilan, Kosovo

Today, 10. May 2024 was signed the Memorandum of cooperation and partnership between University of Ruse "Angel Kanchev", represented by its rector Prof. Plamen Kangelov, PhD, Eng. and Public University "Kadri Zeka", Gjilan, represented by its rector Prof. Asoc. Dr. Artan Dërmaku.

The parties have agreed on the following:

### PURPOSE AND SUBJECT OF THE MEMORANDUM

Based on the positive results achieved so far from cooperation in the field of higher education and science, as well as the mutual interest to meet the most recent legal requirements of Bulgaria and Kosovo, by signing this memorandum the institutions declare their readiness for:

- Joint work to strengthen the authority and the prestige of the two higher education institutions at national and international level;
- Development of cooperation in a wide range of areas, joint activities and initiatives by integrating the potential of the institutions and achieving synergies for the benefit of the regions they operate, their economic and social prosperity;
- Taking further steps and arrangements between the two institutions to implement their Development Policy.

## RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

The parties declare that they are ready to provide mutual assistance and cooperation as well as combining their efforts when implementing the following activities:

### **In the field of education**

- Cooperation for the development of interdisciplinary training to build knowledge, skills and competencies according to the needs of the labor market;
- Maintaining and improving the quality of the use of information technologies and new digital tools in the teaching and research activities of the two universities through research and exchange of experience and good practices;
- Periodic upgrading of the used electronic platforms and other modern educational technologies, both for training and for evaluation and control of its results;
- Increasing the effectiveness of practical training;
- Creation of joint curricula, including ones in foreign language;
- Joint participation in university networks;
- Sharing educational and information resources.

### **In the field of science, research and innovations**

- Joint contribution to the establishment and development of research and innovation activities at national and international level;
- Joint participation in projects within regional and cross-border cooperation programs; Erasmus + Program; Horizon Europe Program, etc.
- Joint publishing activity and joint scientific publications;
- Organization of joint national and international scientific forums;
- Joint training of degree students and joint guidance of doctoral students and support for the career development of young and famous scientists;

### **In other fields of mutual interest**

- Cooperation in improving university quality systems;
- Strengthening and expanding the scope of cooperation within various new and ongoing international programs and projects;
- Cooperation regarding infrastructural, innovative and technological matters;
- Joint organization of events of regional, national and international importance;

- Other activities and initiatives of mutual interest aimed at the prosperity of the institutions and the regions they are operating.

## TERMS AND OTHER CONDITIONS

1. The Memorandum shall be concluded for a period of 5 years. In case neither party expresses its will to terminate it, it shall be automatically renewed for the same period.
2. The Memorandum of Cooperation is a framework document. In order to perform specific tasks, the parties should sign separate agreements that specify the forms and methods of implementation, deadlines, responsibilities, financial parameters, if any, and other activities related to the practical implementation of the memorandum.

This Memorandum is signed in two identical copies, one for each Party.

### SIGNED BY:

**Prof. Plamen Kangelov, PhD, Eng.**

  
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Rector of University of Ruse "Angel Kanchev"  


**Prof. Asoc. Dr. Artan Dërmaku**

  
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Rector of Public University "Kadri Zeka"  
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