



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

POSTGRADUATE DEPARTMENT OF THE INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES – SKOPJE: PROGRAMS OF CULTURAL STUDIES AND GENDER STUDIES

AND

INSTITUTE OF CULTURAL INQUIRY (ICON) OF UTRECHT UNIVERSITY

or

research and academic exchange in the areas of cultural studies and gender studies

This Memorandum of Understanding is intended to promote international cooperation between the Institute of Social Sciences and Humanities-Skopje: Postgraduate Programs in Cultural Studies and Gender Studies, represented by Prof. Dr. Katerina Kolozova and the Institute for Cultural Inquiry of Utrecht University, represented by Prof. Keimpe Algra, recognizing the benefits to their respective universities from the establishment of institutional links, hereby agree to enter into this agreement for the following purpose.

1. PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT

The purpose of this agreement is to establish minimum grounds for possible future academic and educational cooperation, establish forms of research and teaching collaborations between the two higher education institutions. The formats of cooperation, the time and the scope remain open and subject to more specific agreement whereas this MoU is an expression of mutually shared good will to cooperate.

2. AREAS OF COOPERATION

Subject to the availability of funds, resources and approval of the authorized representatives both institutions agree to invest efforts to establish collaborative activities in the following areas:

- (a) Conducting joint research and development projects
- (b) Cooperation in individual projects
- (c) Organization of lectures, symposia, international meetings, conferences, and workshops

- (d) Exchange of researchers and students
- (e) Exchange of information, teaching materials, technological and scientific publications
- (f) Providing opportunities for professors and researchers to give lectures
- (g) Search for opportunities to collaborate in the future

3. IMPLEMENTATION

All programs or activities implemented under the general terms of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be mutually agreed upon in writing, in the form of separate agreements and/or contracts, including the necessary budget for the program of activity as the need may arise.

4. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Both partner institutions will ensure that any results and publications originating from this collaboration will be available in both countries.

5. DURATION AND RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT

This Memorandum of Understanding will become effective immediately after signature by the representatives of both institutions and is subject to revision of modification by mutual agreement.

6. AMENDMENTS

- 6.1. This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by a written agreement signed by the representatives of both universities.
- 6.2. This Memorandum does not regulate future collaborative projects which are subject to specific agreements and contracts.
- 6.3. In the event of any unforeseen incident during collaborative activities in either country both universities agree to negotiate a mutually acceptable solution.
- 6.4. Should any disagreement arise out of the application, interpretation or implementation of this Agreement, the universities shall endeavor to exercise best efforts to negotiate their differences.

7. TERMINATION OF THE VALIDITY OF THE MOU

This MoU may, at any time during its period of validity, be terminated by either party upon prior notice to the other in writing not later than 15 days before termination date, provided that such termination shall not affect the completion of any program or activity underway, subject to future agreement and contracts regulating the activity.

8. APPROVAL

In agreement with the above terms of participation, the authorized representatives of the Institute of Social Sciences and Humanities-Skopje and the Faculty of Humanities, Utrecht University, hereby affix signatures.

For: ISSHS,

For:

Utrecht University

Professor Dr. Katerina Kolozova

Professor Dr. Keimpe Algra

Skopje , Macedonia (Former Yugoslav Republic of)

Utrecht, The Netherlands

Name and signature of representative

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Date

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