Cooperation Agreement on Dual Degree Program

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and

EI “Almaty Management University” (Republic of Kazakhstan)

(UNIVERSITY NAME) and EI “Almaty Management University” (hereinafter referred to as Alma University) have agreed to form a partnership through this cooperation agreement to carry out academic collaboration and exchange.

**Article 1**

This regulation is promulgated according to the memorandum of understanding signed between (UNIVERSITY NAME) and Alma University.

**Article 2**

The term “dual degree program” as used in this Cooperation Agreement shall mean the academic collaboration for students who have completed the preceding 2-year undergraduate study at Alma University, to continue their last 2-year undergraduate study in the (UNIVERSITY NAME) (referred to as 2+2 program) and will receive a Bachelor’s degree from the (UNIVERSITY NAME) after fulfilling all requirements in the designated degree program.

**Article 3**

Students applying for dual degree program admission, as recommended by Alma University, shall submit their applications to (UNIVERSITY NAME) within the time range regulated by DATA, accompanied by the documents listed below.

1. An application for admission in English
2. 1 passport-sized photo
3. A photocopy of the passport
4. Official Transcripts (with English translation if necessary) of courses from all university years, with official stamps from the school
5. A Bank Statement (with a minimum balance of US$ XXXXX as per the requirement of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_)
6. Letter of recommendation
7. TOEFL/IELTS certificate

**Article 4**

Students recommended by Alma University shall submit the English proficiency certificate (Institutional TOEFL 500 scores and above or its IELTS equivalent).

**Article 5**

Students participating in the dual degree program with (UNIVERSITY NAME) shall in principle apply for the degree program identical to or related to the original academic subject in Alma University and will be assigned to the appropriate year of study based on the review/ test results.

**Article 6**

Students granted admission acceptance for the dual degree program shall enroll in (UNIVERSITY NAME) in the academic year designated. Before being granted successful admission, students recommended by Alma University shall pass the oral test and review procedure set up by (UNIVERSITY NAME).

**Article 7**

Transfer of credits for the dual degree program shall be agreed upon by both institutions. (UNIVERSITY NAME) reserves the right of requesting Alma University’s students whose academic backgrounds are different from the degree program they intend to enroll in to make up the credits required at (UNIVERSITY NAME). The articulation of credits shall be agreed upon by both institutions.

**Article 8**

Students who have registered for and successfully completed the above dual degree program, staying at least two years in (UNIVERSITY NAME) with qualified academic performances, will be awarded a Bachelor’s degree upon graduation.

**Article 9**

1. During the first two years at Alma University, students will be under the authority and will have to respect the rules and status of Alma University.

During two years of residency at (UNIVERSITY NAME) the students will be considered regular (UNIVERSITY NAME) students and will be under the authority of (UNIVERSITY NAME). Students participating in this dual degree will pay the enrollment fees at the host University.

Students participating in this dual degree program have to pay enrollment fees and tuition fees according to the rules of each Institution. Students will pay fees only at the host Institution at each stage of the program.

1. Students participating in this dual degree program will be awarded tuition fee scholarships for one academic semester. To qualify for a competitive scholarship for the following academic semester, students must maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0/4.5. The amount of scholarship between 20% and 100% of the annual tuition fee will be granted according to the student’s academic performance and English proficiency, which does not include other personal costs.

**Article 10**

While at (UNIVERSITY NAME) students shall be responsible for housing, international travel, books, supplies, health insurance, daily meals, transportation, and personal expenses and abide by the regulations of the school for assessing academic and conduct performances. (UNIVERSITY NAME) will seek to accommodate transfer students in on-campus dormitories if possible.

**Article 11**

(UNIVERSITY NAME) shall send students’ academic scores to the Academic Affairs section of Alma University at the end of each semester in order to control Alma University students’ performance.

**Article 12**

This Cooperation Agreement shall be valid from ……………………………, 20…. to ……………………………, 20…. and may be extended for a period of five years with no objection from both institutions.

**Article 13**

Anti-Corruption Cause

13.1. When fulfilling their obligations under the Agreement, the Parties, their Personnel, and affiliates must refrain from committing, or inducing to commit obligations that violate the provision or compliance with the applicable legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan, including in the field of corruption regulation. Do not receive, return, or allow to receive any money or receive, directly or indirectly, be subject to consideration for consideration of an action or decision that pursues any improper benefits or achievements and improper goals.

13.2. When fulfilling their obligations under the Agreement, the Parties, their Personnel, and affiliates do not carry out actions qualified by applicable law as giving/receiving a bribe, commercial bribery, as well as actions that violate the requirements of applicable law and international acts on combating the legalization (laundering) of income, obtained illegally.

13.3. If the Party suspects that a violation of any of the provisions of clauses 13.1., 13.2. of the Anti-Corruption Clause, the respective Party undertakes to notify the other Party in writing.

1.4. In a written notice, the Party shall refer to the facts or provide materials that reliably confirm or give reason to believe that a violation of any provisions of the Anti-Corruption Clause has occurred or may occur.

1.5. The Party that received the written notification is obliged to conduct an investigation within 10 days and submit its results to the other Party. Upon written notice, the Party has the right to suspend the performance of the Agreement until confirmation is received that the violation has not occurred or will not occur.

In a written notice, the Party is obliged to refer to the facts and/or provide materials that reliably confirm or give reason to believe that a violation of any provisions of clauses 13.1., 13.2 has occurred or may occur. Anti-Corruption Clause of any of the Parties, affiliates, employees, or intermediaries.

13.6. In the event that one of the Parties violates its obligations to comply with the requirements of the Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy provided for in paragraphs 13.1., 13.2 of the Anti-Corruption Clause and/or the other Party fails to receive confirmation within the prescribed period that the violation has not occurred or will not occur, the Customer or the Contractor has the right to terminate Agreement unilaterally, in whole or in part, by sending a written notice of termination. The Party on whose initiative the Agreement was terminated, in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph, is entitled to demand compensation for actual damage resulting from such termination.

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