MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Eurasian Centre for Accreditation and Quality Assurance in Education and Healthcare (ECAQA), Kazakhstan

and

JAMK University of Applied Sciences (JAMK), Finland

Date: 31.05.2018

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The Eurasian Centre for Accreditation and Quality Assurance in Higher Education and Health care (ECAQA) – is a non-governmental, non-profit organization for the quality assurance and quality improvement in higher education and focused on the Healthcare Professions Education in the Republic of Kazakhstan.

ECAQA is recognised by the Kazakhstan Ministry of Education and Science and included to the National Register of Accrediting Agency.

ECAQA is External Quality Assurance Agency that authorised to evaluate and accredit the higher education institutions and educational programmes.

And

The JAMK University of Applied Sciences (JAMK) is international higher education institution with experience in eight (8) different fields of study including the Social Services and Health Care. In the field of the Social Services and Health Care JAMK offers seven bachelor’s and six master’s degree programmes, degree programmes in nursing education, continuing education and R&D Services.

Recognising the importance of Assessment and Accreditation in the development of higher education including nursing education;

Mindful of each party’s achievements in the nursing education field; and

Desiring to strengthen and broaden cooperation and mutual assistance in the provision of higher education in their respective countries on the principle of equality and mutual benefit;
Have reached the following understanding to interalia:

Clause 1
The Parties agree to establish and develop cooperation in Assessment and Accreditation in the development of higher education including nursing education.

The parties aim to work to enhance understanding of each other’s approach to assuring quality in higher education and the respective systems in place.

Clause 2
This Memorandum provides the areas of cooperation for developing and implementation of joint projects, events and other forms of cooperation in purpose of achieving effective results.

In order to reach common goals and results Parties consider the following ways (not limited to):
- Designing and implementing joint training, consultation, innovation or research projects;
- Participation in events, seminars or conferences organized by one of the Party;
- Exchanging experiences
- Staff exchange

Clause 3
Both Parties agree that all activities specified in Clause 2 of the present Memorandum are to be realized on the basis of specific contracts, to be concluded by Parties on each joint project and detailed work plans and programs which shall include specific information on planned joint activities, organizational forms, implementation requirements based on individual agreements and contracts.

Clause 4
Both Parties regard the present Memorandum as a declaration of intentions, which entails no legal and financial liabilities on joint activities of the Parties. The Parties agree that all practical questions related to organization of specific activities based on Clause 1 and Clause
2 of the present Memorandum will be separately negotiated and agreed between the authorized representatives of both Parties. The partners respect the principles of mutual interaction and equality

Clause 5
The Parties shall keep secret all confidential data and information which has become known in the process of the cooperative activities, except that data and information which has become public knowledge through no fault of the parties.

Clause 6.
The memorandum will take effect from date of signing for a period of five years. The memorandum may be altered at any time with the consent of both parties. The Memorandum may be terminated by either party giving 6 (six) months prior notice.

Clause 7.
The Director General, ECAQA and the President, JAMK will have responsibility for managing the Memorandum of Understanding. This responsibility may be delegated to relevant member of their staff in relation to particular areas of cooperation.

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