

**Memorandum of Educational and Scientific
Co-operation between the Higher Education Commission
Government of Islamic Republic of Pakistan
and the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture
Government of Austria**

As an expression of the desire of the Higher Education Commission(HEC), Government of Islamic Republic of Pakistan with the Government of Austria (thereafter referred to as the two parties as well as party-I and party-II) to strengthen existing cordial relations between our two countries and to increase the level of cooperation in different academic and technical fields, we have agreed to enter to the present memorandum in accordance with the enforced laws and regulations of both countries and the available means, in accordance with the following terms.

Article One

The two parties shall enhance the Ph.D level programme upto 200 students.

Article Two

The two parties shall enhance post-doctoral training in selected fields.

Article Three

Pakistan shall establish a Technical University and also an Engineering University in Lahore on Austrian Universities pattern with the support of Austria.

The party-II (Govt. of Austria) shall collaborate in terms of know how. Where as the party-I (Islamic Republic of Pakistan) will provide land and other facilities. A joint team will decide the venue of the Campus. Funding will be provided by HEC, Pakistan.

Article Four

The two parties shall cooperate in Quality Assurance programmes in Higher Education Sector (laboratory certification, accreditation of standards of education).

Article Five

The two parties shall establish institutional linkages and other collaborative programmes leading to joint technological/scientific developments in the following areas of Science, Engineering and Health.

Article-Six

The Parties shall endeavour to encourage cooperation between universities, scientific institutions and research centres, and to conclude twinning conventions directly between them,

Article Seven

The two parties shall encourage participation in academic meetings, conferences, debates, educational and scientific workshops, both local and international, provided that each party informs the other well beforehand.

Article-Eight

This MoU may be amended or modified at any time through mutual consent of the parties.

Article-Nine

All differences and disputes concerning the interpretation and application of this MoU shall be amicably settled through negotiations between the Parties.

Article-Ten

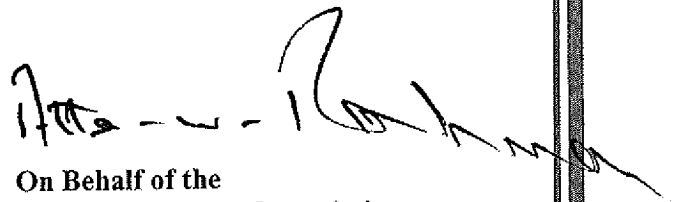
This MoU shall enter into force on the date of signatures by the Parties. It shall remain in force for a period of three years and shall automatically be renewed for a similar periods of three year, unless terminated. Either Party may terminate this MoU at any time after the expiry of 1st period of three years by giving a notice of 6 months to the other Party.

In case of termination of this MoU, its provision shall continue to apply to the activities under taken during its validity till their completion.

In Witness whereof the duly authorized the representatives of the Parties have signed this MoU at Islamabad on 4th January, 2006.



**On Behalf of the
Ministry of Education, Science & Culture,
Government of Austria**



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