

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL
ON
MODIFICATION AND EXTENSION
FOR THE YEARS 2019 - 2021
OF
THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
ON CULTURAL, SCIENTIFIC AND EDUCATIONAL COOPERATION
FOR THE YEARS 2016 - 2018**

The Government of the Republic of Austria and the Government of the State of Israel (hereinafter referred to as the “Sides”),

WISHING to further deepen their cooperation in the fields of culture, education, sports, women’s affairs and youth, thus strengthening the ties of sincere friendship between their two countries and peoples,

REFERRING to articles 13.8 and 13.9 of the Memorandum of Understanding on Cultural, Scientific and Education Cooperation for the Years 2016-2018 (hereinafter: MoU),

WISHING to modify and extend the MoU for the years 2019-2021,

HAVE reached the following understanding:

1. EXTENSION

In accordance with article 13.8 the MoU will be extended for an additional period of 3 years from 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2021.

2. MODIFICATIONS

In accordance with article 13.9 the MoU will be modified as follows:

The following article 2.5. is added to section **2. Science**:

2.5. Both sides note with satisfaction that in the field of research cooperation two new MoUs have been signed in 2018:

To further deepen the relationship between the two countries in the fields of science and research a Memorandum of Understanding between the Austrian Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research (BMBWF) and the Israeli Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST) was signed on June 11, 2018. This Memorandum laid the foundation for intensified future activities between the research ministries such as information exchange and the organisation of Austrian-Israeli Science Days.

At the same time it formed the basis for another Memorandum of Understanding between the Austrian Science Fund and the Israeli Ministry of Science and Technology, also signed on June 11, 2018, on a bilateral research program which will contribute to successfully tackling global and local challenges through increased Austrian-Israeli cooperation in science and research.


Article 3.1 will be modified as follows:

3.1. The Austrian Side informs that the EU programme Erasmus+ will be succeeded by a new programme generation starting in 2021.

3. ENTRY INTO EFFECT

This Memorandum of Understanding will become effective on the date of signature and will remain so until 31 December 2021.

Signed in Jerusalem on 5th February 2019, which corresponds to 30 Shevat 5779, in the Hebrew calendar, in two original copies in the English language.



**For the Government of the Republic of
Austria**



**For the Government of the State of
Israel**