

**Memorandum of Understanding**  
**In the Field of Technical and Vocational Training**  
**Between**  
**The Federal Ministry of Labour and Economy of the Republic of Austria**  
**And**  
**The Technical and Vocational Training Corporation (TVTC)**  
**In the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia**

The Federal Ministry of Labour and Economy of the Republic of Austria, and the Technical and Vocational Training Corporation (TVTC) in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, (hereinafter referred to as the Two Sides), recognizing the importance of the technical and vocational training in the development of human resources and the desire to strengthen cooperation in the field of technical and vocational training, and in accordance with the Cooperation Agreement in the economical, trading, industrial and technical fields signed between the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the Government of the Republic of Austria in Vienna on 31 March 2004 (G) corresponding to 10 Safar 1425 (H); the Two Sides have reached the following understanding:

**Article 1**

**(Purpose of the MoU)**

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as MoU) aims to enhance and develop cooperation in the field of technical and vocational training, according to the regulations followed in both countries.

**Article 2**

**(Scope of the Cooperation)**

The two Sides will encourage the in-depth exchange of expertise in the field of technical and vocational training, by focusing on the following:

1. Hosting joint conferences, symposia, workshops and exhibitions for trainers, trainees and leaders of training facilities.
2. Cooperation in the field of dual technical and vocational training (apprenticeship system) as may be approved by the two Sides in the future.
3. In-depth exchange of expertise related to Train of Trainers' (ToT) in the field of dual technical and vocational training (apprenticeship system).

4. Exchanging of experiences and knowledge related to the trainees' Company-Based Training.
5. Any other forms of framework cooperation in the field of technical and vocational training as may be approved by the two Sides in the future.

### **Article 3**

#### **(Financial Obligations)**

Each Side will bear its own costs and expenses -subject to its available funds- arising from this MoU, unless both Sides approve otherwise.

### **Article 4**

#### **(Rights and Obligations)**

1. The signing of this MoU will not create any legal rights or obligations, and will be implemented in accordance with applicable national and international law.
2. This MoU will not affect rights and obligations arising from any bilateral or multilateral agreement or MoU in which either Side is obligated.

### **Article 5**

#### **(Information Confidentiality)**

The two Sides will ensure the information and documents exchanged between them are used only for the purposes assigned to them in accordance with what they have approved, and will not be transferred to a third party without a written consent from the other Side. The provision of this article will remain in effect even after the expiration or cancellation of this MoU.

### **Article 6**

#### **(Settlement of Differences)**

Any difference arising between the two Sides about the interpretation or implementation of this MoU will be resolved amicably to serve the common interests.

### **Article 7**

#### **(General Provisions)**

1. This MoU will take effect on the date of the last mutual notification between the two Sides – through diplomatic channels – confirming the completion of the regulatory procedures necessary for its entry into effect.

2. The duration of this MoU is five years and will be automatically renewed for the same periods unless cancelled by either Side giving six months' notice in writing of its intention to cancel or stop the renewal to the other Side, through diplomatic channels.
3. This MoU may be modified by mutual understanding of the two Sides - in writing - and the modification will enter into effect in accordance with the procedure set forth in paragraph (1) of this article.
4. In case of cancellation or non-renewal of this MoU, its provision will remain valid for the projects and programs, which were initiated under it.

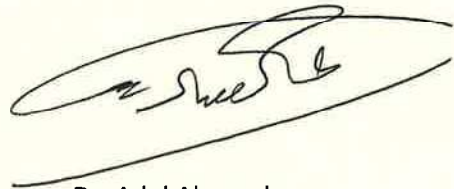
Signed in Vienna on 06. November 2023 Corresponding to the 22. Rabi II 1445 in two original texts, English and Arabic, both texts being equally valid. In case of divergence of interpretation, the English version will prevail.

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