



Department of
Forestry, Wood
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Academy of Water
Resource
Conservation
Forests in Qilian
Mountains of Gansu
Province
CHINA

Agreement of Cooperation between
Department of Forestry, Wood Sciences and Design, University of Thessaly, Karditsa, Greece
and
Academy of Water Resource Conservation Forests in Qilian Mountains of Gansu Province, Zhangye,
China

In order to develop mutually beneficial cooperation and to strengthen academic exchanges between the two institutions, *Academy of Water Resource Conservation Forests in Qilian Mountains of Gansu Province (ACADEMY)*, Zhangye, China, and *Department of Forestry, Wood Sciences and Design (DFWSD)*, University of Thessaly, Karditsa, Greece, agree to the following provisions:

Article 1: Objective

The two institutions will establish academic exchanges and cooperative relationships starting on the date on which the responsible administrative officers of both institutions have signed this agreement. Within the framework of this agreement, the two institutions agree to cooperate in the following areas:

1. Establishment of academic study, research opportunities and faculty-sponsored training programs for M.Sc. and Ph.D. students and staff members;
2. Implementation of M.Sc. and Ph.D. students and staff exchange programmes;
3. Exchange of academic materials and information regarding programmes of study, conferences, and other professional activities;
4. Exchange of professors, researchers and teaching staff to teach, collaborate in research and publication, and engage in other professional activities;
5. Collaboration in any other way that is considered to be mutually beneficial.

These exchanges are established in order to extend the participants' theoretical knowledge and practical experience and also to increase their respect for the languages, cultures and professional environments of the host country.

Article 2: Staff exchange programme



1. Each Institution in this agreement will encourage and provide necessary support to its staff members to visit the other party to carry out teaching or research as a visiting scholar.
2. The host Institution will provide necessary support and help to the visiting scholars from the other during their stay.

Article 3: Delegation's short visits

On the basis of equality both institutions agree to facilitate short visits between two Institutions. This includes hosting delegations of senior administrators and faculty members, who will travel at their own expense.

Article 4: M.Sc. and Ph.D. student exchange programme

Both institutions agree to conduct M.Sc. or Ph.D. student exchange programmes between them. The specific aspects of the arrangement will be clarified by a separate agreement attached to this agreement.

Article 5: Both institutions agree to designate contact persons from their International Offices or staff members who will be in touch with each other and visit each other's campuses as necessary, to lay out the specific exchange plans.

Article 6: This agreement is valid for a period of **ten (10)** years, after which the Institutions may mutually agree to extend the agreement. Either institution may terminate the agreement at any time, with or without cause, giving **six (6)** months' prior written notice to the other institution.

Article 7: This agreement is validated by the responsible administrative officers of ACADEMY and DFWS, who have signed below.

**Academy of Water Resource Conservation
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Province, Zhangye, CHINA**

Date: 25/1/2024

Mr Erwen XU
President of the Academy



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