MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION BETWEEN THE AZERBAIJAN NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES AND THE POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

The Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences and The Polish Academy of Sciences (hereinafter referred to as the Parties);

Desiring to develop cooperation in social sciences, natural sciences, exact sciences and engineering sciences;

Aiming to tighten the collaboration between Azerbaijani and Polish researchers as well as to intensify their scientific contacts:

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Article I

The Parties will collaborate on scientific research in selected fields of mutual interest.

Article II

Cooperative activities within the framework of the present Memorandum of Understanding may be undertaken in the following forms:

- 1. Exchange of scientists and specialists for the purpose of joint research, training, consultation and exchange of experience,
- 2. Exchange of results of scientific research, information and documentation,
- 3. Organization of scientific seminars and lectures on problems of mutual interest,
- 4. Working out and launching joint research programs and exchange of scientific experience,
- 5. Setting up of joint laboratories and pilot centres for research activities,
- 6. Other forms of scientific cooperation as may be mutually agreed upon.

Article III

Technical achievements and economic benefits resulting from the joint programs for scientific and technological research under the provisions of the present Memorandum of Understanding including intellectual property rights, "know-how" and copyright shall be distributed between the two Parties basing on mutual agreement in accordance with the legislation of Azerbaijan and Poland.

Article IV

Each Party will take part in the selection of scientists and experts for short term visits in research units of other Party.

Conditions and terms of visits shall be determined in Protocols on scientific cooperation mentioned in Article VII. Till the moment of signing of Protocols the above conditions and terms shall be agreed for each visit individually.

Article V

Representatives of both Parties shall hold meetings alternately in their headquarters if needed.

Article VI

Either Party shall not convey any information concerning the results obtained under the joint research carried out under the present Memorandum of Understanding to any third party without a written approval of the other Party.

Article VII

The Parties shall sign the Protocols to the Memorandum of Understanding, valid for approved periods and specifying the terms and conditions required for the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding. The Protocols will constitute the integral part of the present Memorandum of Understanding.

Article VIII

- 1. The present Memorandum of Understanding will come into force on 1st of January 2014 and will be valid for a period of five years. It will be automatically renewed for the next five-year periods, provided that none of the Parties denounces it in writing six months prior to the date of its expiration
- 2. The termination of this Memorandum of Understanding shall not affect the continuation of the agreed upon projects and programs unless the Parties decide otherwise.

Done, in Warsaw on 25th of November 2013 in two original copies, each in Azerbaijani, Polish and English languages, all the texts being equally authentic. In case of diversity, the English text will prevail.

For

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