

Institute for African Studies



# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON CO-OPERATION

## BETWEEN THE INSTITUTE FOR AFRICAN STUDIES

# OF THE RUSSIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

# MOSCOW, RUSSIA

# AND

# TANZANIA INSTITUTE OF ACCOUNTANCY OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND PLANNING DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA

## Preamble

The Institute for African Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia, hereinafter referred to as "IAS" and the Tanzania Institute of Accountancy of the Ministry of Finance and Planning, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, hereinafter referred to as "TIA"

**RECOGNIZING** the mutual interests in the fields of research, development and dissemination of knowledge on a long term non-commercial basis; and

**RECOGNIZING** the importance of the two institutions' role in the promotion of international collaboration, equality and increased contribution to the development of society; and,

**CONSIDERING** the already existing formal and informal networks between the two institutions expressing the idea of partnership.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, IAS and TIA

HEREBY do agree to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation between the two Institutions according to the terms and conditions set out in the articles following hereunder.

In this Memorandum, unless a contrary intention is expressed in the text, the words "The two institutions", "Collaborating Institutions", "both institutions' refer to IAS and TIA. The Memorandum means this Memorandum.

#### Article 1

## AREAS OF COOPERATION

The cooperation will take the form of:

- (i) Joint research projects carried out by researchers from both institutions;
- (ii) Exchange of staff for doing short-term and long-term research and teaching regular, short and tailor-made courses;
- (iii) Mutual assistance in the establishment of new programmes;
- (iv) Joint consultancy services for interested Russian and Tanzanian institutions;
- (v) Exchange of information, documentation and publications for research and consultancy services;
- (vi) Organizing conferences and workshops.

## Article 2

## FIELDS OF COLLABORATION

2.1 Collaboration between the two institutions will be established in matters pertaining to African studies, socio-ecomical issues, cultural heritages, and Kiswahili language in the field of research, documentation, and consultancy services.

2.2 Depending on financial means and practical feasibility, the parties shall establish joint research programmes in the fields of mutual interest and in which both parties hold expertise. These fields include but are not limited to a wide range of disciplines in Social Sciences, Accounting and Finance, Business Administration, Governance, etc. For each programme, both cooperating institutions shall set up a committee and appoint a Coordinator to be responsible for the implementation of the programme.

2.3 The parties will exchange information and documentation for consultancy services to promote strengthening ties between Russia and Tanzania, particularly, by promoting successful operation of Russian business in Tanzania and Tanzanian business in Russia.

2.4 Where one collaborating institution does not have the capacity to cover a field of interest requested by the other, the requested institution shall facilitate such a request by identifying another institution in the relevant home country or region to the requesting party.

2.5 The different departments and scientific centres in both institutions are authorized to sign mutual agreements to achieve the aims of this general umbrella Memorandum.

2.6 The mode of ownership of research materials and research findings shall be spelt out clearly at the commencement of a participation of each party and the prevalent regulations of the partner institutions.

#### Article 3

#### **EXCHANGE OF STAFF**

3.1 The purpose of normal exchange of staff shall be research.

3.2 Following receipt of written credentials and proposed activities, either party may submit a letter of invitation to the other party thereto outlining the proposed terms and conditions under which the visit is to take place.

3.3 Negotiations between the parties concerning such proposed visits shall include consideration of the methods and source of funding for the expenses of the visiting staff member or members.

3.4 The two parties agree to afford their respective researchers the same facilities as to their own, access to their libraries and other information sources and to their services (office space, programming and secretarial assistance).

3.5 The two institutions undertake to inform each other about conferences/ workshops, study groups they organize in the field of African studies.

#### Article 4

#### FUNDING AND FINANCE

4.1 Exchanges or visits under this Memorandum will, in principle, be organised reciprocally on an honorary basis.

4.2 Development of joint activities will be dependent on availability of funds.

4.3 Both institutions shall also endeavor to secure financial support for implementation of the Memorandum from national and international institutions.

4.4 Financial arrangements will have to be negotiated for each specific project or programme.

### Article 5

#### MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

5.1 Negotiation, implementation, and reporting on the progress concerning the collaboration shall be coordinated by Director, Centre of History and Cultural Anthropology, IAS, and Director of Research, Publications and Consultancy, TIA.

5.2 Coordination of activities:

Issues about specific activities, including rights and obligations of each party, shall be notified or communicated to the offices mentioned in sub- article 5.1 above.

5.3 This Memorandum shall have duration of five years renewable automatically each time for a further five years unless either party gives notice of termination not later than six months prior to the expiry of the existing Memorandum.

5.4 Any alteration of the Memorandum shall be agreed upon jointly by the two parties.

5.5 In the event of dispute, both parties shall resolve it amicably.

5.6 This Memorandum shall take effect upon ratification, by signature of the Director of IAS and the CEO of TIA.

5.7 This Memorandum is done in two equally authentic copies, one for each of the signing parties.

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