

## Cooperation Agreement

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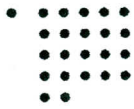
Cologne University of Applied Sciences (CUAS)  
Cologne, Germany

And

University of Jordan (UJ)  
Amman, Jordan

On

Academic and Research Collaboration



## Preamble

To promote the advancement of international understanding, academic excellence, dissemination of learning and strengthening cultural ties, Cologne University of Applied Sciences CUAS and the University of Jordan UJ agree to pursue collaboration on academic and research related activities as detailed in this agreement.

The parties agree as follows:

### §1

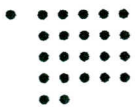
The parties focus their efforts on the following objectives:

1. The parties develop and implement a joint master program on “Integrated water resources management” within the objectives:  
Post gradual training of experts in the field of Integrated Water Resource Management. The candidates will gain sound knowledge on Principles and Practices of IWRM, practical skills on identifying and assessing best water management technologies, Geography, Politics, International Cooperation, Intercultural Management Competence and German and Arab Language Proficiency. The program Graduates are prepared to work in leadership positions in the field of IWRM and are able to manage complex projects for international institutions, companies operating in the Arabic region”
2. Exchange of information on teaching and research.
3. Improvement of quality of teaching at the respective universities.
4. Exchange of members of staff and students of both universities

### §2

The implementation of collaboration mentioned in article 1 will be by:

1. The sharing of experience by mutual visits of teaching personnel and researchers.
2. Exchange of students, in particular at graduate level.
3. Exchange of information on lectures and training programs.
4. Identification of joint research projects.
5. Mutual invitations to seminars, symposia and other scientific events.



## 6. Mutual invitation of academic staff for sabbatical periods.

Both parties will adhere to the principle of reciprocity, and expenses incurred will be borne according to the project budget confirmed by DAAD during the period of the project.

### §3

The exchange of students will take place according to the following procedures:

#### A. Principles

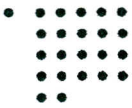
1. Student exchange will be based upon the principle of one or two semester-long placements according to the study program.
2. Exchange students enrol as „for degree“-students are exempt from tuition fees unless both parties decide on a mutual base to introduce tuition fees. Student union or registration fees however, have to be paid by the students.
3. Each participant in the exchange will enjoy the same rights and privileges as students of the host institution and will be expected to abide by the rules and regulations of the host university.

#### B. Selection

1. The program is open to graduate students who have completed at least a bachelor study with the overall grade of minimum good.
2. Participating students will be selected on a mutual basis of academic merit and professional experiences and subject to acceptance by the receiving institution undertaking the normal admission procedures.

#### C. Students Obligations

1. Program participants pay registration fees and any other study related costs to their home institution.
2. Program participants are responsible for their own international transportation.



3. Program participants are responsible for their own financial support which includes their accommodation and living expenses. The host institution bears no responsibility for providing funds to an exchange student for any purpose.
4. While Program Participants will be responsible for securing their own accommodation, each institution will assist exchange students to locate appropriate accommodation.

#### **D. Host Institution Obligations**

1. Each institution will provide exchange students with an identifiable contact who will be responsible for assisting students with enrolment and other welfare issues.
4. Records will be established for program students. At the completion of the program students' study an official transcript of course, work and grades will be mailed to the coordinating exchange officer of the sending university.
5. Each institution will assist its participants in obtaining the appropriate visa for the period of the exchange. Notwithstanding this, each participant shall be ultimately responsible for obtaining his/her visa, passport or other necessary documents and paying for them. The Institutions shall not be liable to each other or to any participant for the failure of the participant to obtain the necessary documents.

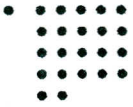
#### **E. Recognition of modules**

The CUAS will approve or disapprove whether the students have successfully completed the modules offered within the master program in Germany.

The UJ will approve or disapprove whether the students have successfully completed the modules offered within the master program in Jordan.

Both parties mutually and completely recognise the credits a student gains at the other institution.





#### §4

Funding of academic staff honoraries will be based on the following general principles:

1. Travel costs of persons participating in this exchange program, or those invited by the partner university, will be covered by the project budget confirmed by DAAD during the period of the project.
3. The host university will find appropriate accommodation.

#### §5

Both universities will identify staff that will coordinate day-to-day contacts. In the first instance CUAS and UJ shall nominate Prof. Dr. Hartmut Gaese and Prof. Dr. Manar Fayyad to implement the provisions of this agreement.

#### §6

This agreement does not involve any financial obligation for any parties, other than that defined and confirmed in the financial budget plan. During DAAD financing both universities shall not charge overhead fees. In addition both parties will seek suitable additional funding sources for the support of this agreement.

Medical care in the host country will be covered by insurance arranged in the country of the candidate prior to the secondment. Government regulations for health insurance in host country and Germany will be abided by under the terms of this agreement.

This agreement is one for cooperation and discussion between the Institutions in the pursuit of the objectives expressed in the preamble. Nothing in this agreement shall be deemed to constitute a partnership, joint venture or other legal relationship between the parties.

Differences between the parties shall be resolved primarily through consultation and negotiation.



### §7

This agreement will operate from the date of signing for four years and may be subject to revision or modification by mutual agreement.

The agreement will be reviewed by both parties at the end of the fourth year, with a view to either renewal of the contract or termination.

Notwithstanding the above, either institution may terminate the agreement by giving written notice of no less than six months. The termination of the agreement should allow for any imbalance to be rectified and for any participation students who have commenced at either university at the date of termination to complete their approved course of study.

Executed for Cologne University of Applied Sciences Cologne

Date 06-05-08

Prof. Dr. Joachim Metzner (Rector)

Executed for University of Jordan

Date March 25, 2008

Prof. Khaled Al-Karaki (President)