



Memorandum of Understanding

Between

University of Jordan

And

Shanghai International Studies University

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as "MOU") is entered into on **October 17**th, **2024**, by and between Shanghai International Studies University (SISU) and the University of Jordan (hereinafter referred to as "the Parties").

WHEREAS, the "China-Arab Universities 10+10 Cooperation Plan" (the "Plan") has been established under the "China-Arab Consortium of Universities Exchange Mechanism" to advance collaboration between Chinese and Arab institutions of higher education;

WHEREAS, the Parties are the designated lead universities for China and Arab countries, respectively, in the field of civilizational dialogue under the Plan, under the leadership of the China Association of Higher Education (CAHE) and the Association of Arab Universities (AARU);

WHEREAS, the Parties seek to further promote relevant work and pursue substantive cooperation, as a follow-up to the Joint Declaration issued during the conference held in Jordan on June 25, 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree to cooperate in accordance with the laws and regulations of both parties, as follows:

1. Cooperative Framework

The Parties shall collaborate to implement substantial and sustainable cooperation in accordance with the *Charter of the China-Arab Consortium of Universities Exchange Mechanism* and the *Cooperation Declaration of Lead Universities for the "China-Arab Universities 10+10 Cooperation Plan"* (Jordan), under the guidance of the CAHE and the AARU.

2. Support for Secretariats

The Parties shall fully support the work of the China Secretariat (hosted by SISU) and the and Arab Secretariat (hosted by the AARU) by regularly submitting work plans, summaries

and timely progress reports.

3. Annual Conference

The Parties shall jointly organize an annual conference in their field to facilitate information sharing and academic exchange.

4. Cooperation Network

The Parties shall jointly establish a cooperation network of China-Arab member universities in their field, forming a community of China-Arab higher education institutions.

5. Collaborative Projects

The Parties shall, in the spirit of consultation, joint efforts and shared benefits: a) Conceptualize and design cooperation plans and projects in their field. b) Promote exchanges of faculty and students, academic collaborations, joint research, and the application of research outcomes.

The cooperation mentioned in terms above will be implemented under separate agreements agreed upon by the parties in full detail and in line with the legislation in force in each party.

6. Participation by Member Universities

The Parties shall ensure balanced and inclusive participation of all member universities by:

- Regularly organizing working meetings for member universities to exchange information and share achievements;
- Fully consulting and collaborating with member universities when developing cooperation plans;
- Sharing relevant resources and opportunities with member universities for joint project completion; and
- d) Leveraging the lead universities' institutional capacities to support cooperation, guide project implementation, and assist member universities in mobilizing resources.
- 7. It is understood that the implementation of any of the types of cooperation stated in this MoU shall depend upon the availability of resources at both parties if available, and financial supporters and their conditions, if any.

8. Duration and Termination

- This MOU shall be effective for five (5) years from the date of signing and may be extended for an additional three (3) years upon written agreement of both Parties.
- Fither Party may terminate this MOU by providing written notice to the other Party

and both China and Arab secretariats at least six (6) months in advance.

- This MoU may be amended or modified by written agreements signed by the representatives of both parties, and will become part of this MoU.
- This MoU may, at any time during its period of validity, be terminated by one of the parties upon written notice to the other party not later than six months before the termination date. The termination will not affect ongoing activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the authorized representatives of the Parties have signed this MOU on the date first above written.

Shanghai International Studies University:

Authorized representative: Prof.Wang Guangda

Title: Secretary-General, China-Arab Research Center on Reform and Development

University of Jordan:

Authorized representative: Prof. Nahed Emaish

Title: Vice President for Humanities Schools