

**Memorandum of Understanding
Between
The following Parties**

- 1) The National Authority for Quality Assurance and Accreditation (NAQAAE)**
- 2) European Foundation for Quality in E-learning (EFQUEL)**
- 3) Association of Arab Universities (AArU)**

Goals

The cooperation takes place with the goals of

- Fostering quality development for E-Learning ;
- Working together in initiatives aiming at quality improvement and assurance in E-Learning
- Establishing a joint “code of good practice” taking into consideration internationally established guidelines;

Objectives

The three parties: NAQAAE, EFQUEL and AArU *intend* to establish a network where the three parties would work together to:

- Support each others' organization in enhancing the development of Quality of Education through e-learning.
- Develop and enhance the capacity of the Arab Universities to build up its capacity in the field of e-learning.
- Inform each other regularly about their activities in the stated areas of activity. It is envisaged that yearly personal consultations between representatives the contracting parties will be held.
- Organise and carry out joint workshops on specific topics related to e-learning quality assurance in higher education.
- Foster review activities in preparation of accreditation processes.

Cooperation with other (Accreditation) Institutions

This agreement is not exclusive and does not impede each of the contracting parties to sign agreements with other evaluation and organizations in the field or accreditation bodies.

Language

The three parties agree to formulate cooperation agreements and all other written documents concerning their cooperation in English. Documents regarding specific accreditation processes are provided in English translations in addition to their original language, if required also in all these languages.

Termination of the Cooperation

This agreement is valid except if one of the three parties has given a six month written notice in advance of its will to terminate it.

Final Regulations

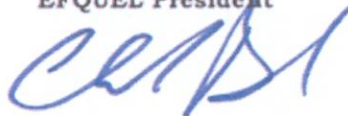
1. Changes or additions to this cooperation agreement must be provided in written form and signed by the three parties to be valid.
2. The respective managing directors of the three parties are in charge of the implementation of this cooperation agreement.
3. This cooperation agreement enters into force through the signature of the three parties.

EXECUTED AS OF THE DATE SET FORTH ABOVE BY THE THREE PARTIES,
OR THEIR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES, AS IDENTIFIED BELOW.

Dr. Magdy Kassem
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Dr. Claudio Dondi
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Dr. Saleh Hashem
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