

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING



## BETWEEN THE

## **Watershed Management Society of Iran**

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## **Czech Society of Soil Science**

By this letter, Watershed Management Society of Iran and Czech Society of Soil Science, wishing to establish collaborative relations, agree to cooperate with each other. The areas of cooperation may include any program at either institution that could help foster and develop the relationship. The terms of cooperation for each activity under the *Memorandum of Understanding* shall be mutually discussed and agreed upon in the future, should the need arise, and shall be subject to appropriate and separate *Agreements*.

Cooperation shall be carried out through activities such as:

- 1. Exchange of society members, subject to financing from an external granting agency.
- 2. Joint research activities and publications, subject to financing from an external granting agency.
- 3. Participation in seminars, research and academic meetings, subject to financing from an external granting agency.
- 4. Exchange of academic and scientific materials and other information, under the umbrella of the appropriate Agreement, such as a Material Transfer Agreement, in conformity with the society and governmental policies in place.
- 5. Short and medium-term research and academic visits for teachers, MSc. and Ph.D. students and postdoctoral fellows, will be dealt with individual contracts arranged between certain universities.

The *Memorandum of Understanding* imposes no financial obligation on either institution; cooperative activities that require funding should not be initiated before the necessary resources have been secured.

Each society shall designate a liaison officer to develop and coordinate the specific activities.

Each institution agrees not to use the other's name or logo in publicity without written consent from the senior executive of the other institution or his/her designate.

The Intellectual Property policies in place at each institution shall apply to the activities initiated and implemented by the respective researchers.

Participants under this *Memorandum of Understanding* will be selected on the basis of merit, ethical and social equity without regard to sex, race, nationality or ethnic origin, colour, religion, age, marital status, physical handicap.

The Watershed Management Society of Iran and Czech Society of Soil Science, will each accept the participants selected by the other Party if mutually acceptable academic and/or professional qualifications and standards are met. All participants will be treated in the same non-discriminatory manner in carrying out the provisions of this *Memorandum of Understanding*, subject to the provisions of the policies and requirements of each of the institutions. Any violation of these principles will be considered grounds for terminating this *Memorandum of Understanding*.

This *Memorandum of Understanding* shall remain in force for a period of five (5) years from the date of the last signature. Either society may terminate their involvement with six months advance written notice to the other institution.

Professor Dr. Bořivoj Šarapatka Name: President Title: Czech Society of Soil Science Institution: E-mail: borivoj.sarapatka@seznam.cz Signature: 12. 9. 2017, Olomouc, Czech Republic **Date and Place:** Name: Dr. Ataollah Kavian (Associate Professor) Member of the Management Committee (On behalf of the President) Title: Watershed Management Society of Iran Institution: E-mail: wmsi@gmail.com Ataollah Karian Signature: 12. 9. 2017, Olomouc, Czech Republic **Date and Place:**