

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
**BETWEEN**  
**GEORGIAN ACADEMY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES**  
**AND**  
**INSTITUTE OF ANIMAL BIOLOGY, (NAAS)**

Georgian Academy of Agricultural Sciences, hereinafter referred to as **GAAS**, and the Institute of Animal Biology NAAS, Lvov, Ukraine, hereinafter referred to as **IAB NAAS**, and the two parties jointly referred to as “the parties,” hereby affirm their mutual interest and desire to cooperate in the field of science and research programs.

**The Parties agreed on the following:**

**Article 1**

The Parties agree that cooperation in the collaborative effort in science and technologies will enhance the progress in agriculture in both countries, will increase productivity and improve the quality of animal breeding. The form and content of the joint collaborative effort between the parties will be defined based on mutually beneficial agreement which shall be implemented by mutual understanding and in conformity with the regulations and agricultural policies of both parties.

## **Article 2**

The parties agreed to create mutually favorable conditions for further collaboration between two countries, to enhance activities in production and preservation of agricultural products, and invite national and international experts to raise qualification of the staff and specialists of both parties.

## **Article 3**

To facilitate fruitful and sustainable collaboration, the parties agree on the following:

- Exchange researchers and specialists and share technological innovations;
- Exchange selection material. This procedure will be in full conformity with the country's current regulations and international conventions on bio-diversity;
- Share scientific literature, innovations and methodology;
- Organize scientific conferences, workshops and other meetings;
- Organize professional training sessions;
- Carry out joint basic and applied researches on the problems agreed in advance;
- Assist in publication of scientific articles and researches produced in the result of cooperative work;
- Define English and Russian to be working languages of the parties.

Other forms of collaboration are to be decided and agreed upon during the following meetings which will become the subject of separate agreement.

#### **Article 4**

**Specific areas of mutual interest include but not limited to:**

- Animal genetic resources;
- Biotechnologies;
- Livestock and veterinary medicine;
- Physiology and biochemistry of animals;
- Animal selection;
- Animal Genetics;

Further cooperative conformity in other spheres shall be planned and executed under the auspices of separate agreements between the parties.

#### **Article 5**

Considering limited resources and budget, the parties will collaborate on the following conditions:

- Achieve agreement to assess the means of production and research materials and facilities by carrying out necessary activities;
- Agree to invite specialists and researchers to fulfill the projects under mutual decisions;
- Support participation of young researchers, specialists and students of both countries in scientific conferences and symposiums;

- Sustain exchange of visits between the countries and the persons participating in particular projects;

- Work together to identify and finance the projects of common interest;

To achieve this goal, they will contact and cooperate with local and international organizations;

- Uphold mutual activities to sustain smooth and unhindered development of the planned projects;
- GAAS , in case of necessity, will invite specialists from Ukraine to fulfill long-term work outlined by the framework of present Memorandum and by contracts on particular projects;
- GAAS undertakes responsibility to invite trainers and other specialists and organize their arrival to Tbilisi;

#### **Article 6**

The present Memorandum, which outlines general principles of collaboration between the parties is the basis to define practical details of the projects planned and executed by the parties;

During the meeting held round particular projects, a scope of activities, project participants, business trips, details of financing and other issues will be discussed;

## **Article 7**

### **The Parties agreed on the following:**

- Either party shall have equal right to apply any of the results of the projects executed by joint effort; Also right on use of selection material and research methods;
- Either party to this MOU shall be free to pass genetic material obtained from exchange between the parties provided due credit written form is given to the other party for its contribution;
- The research results will be published to serve the interest of wide society.

## **Article 8**

All disputes and problems which may arise in regards with interpretation and implementation of present Memorandum shall be solved through dialogue and consultations. The responsibilities assumed by each of the cooperating parties are contingent.

## **Article 9**

Activities under this MOU commence upon signatures of both parties and continue in effect for a of 5 -year period. Also, Changes and amendments which may be added to the present document and become its indispensable part shall commence under mutual agreement of the parties; After the date of expiry, it may be extended automatically for another 5 - year term.

Either party, upon 6-month prior written notice to the other party, may terminate this MOU.

Upon agreement, the Parties shall sign the present memorandum in Ukraine, Lvov, on July 25.

The document is signed in two copies in English language and both are legally equal.

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