

**MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION  
IN THE FIELDS OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH  
BETWEEN  
THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND  
TECHNOLOGY OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN  
AND  
THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, CULTURE, SPORTS,  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF JAPAN**

The Ministry of Science, Research and Technology of the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan, hereinafter referred to collectively as the "both sides" and individually as the "side",

Desiring to strengthen ties, bilateral relations and cooperation in the fields of higher education and scientific research,

Have reached the following common recognition:

**Paragraph1**

Both sides will encourage higher education and scientific research institutions in both countries to promote exchange of students and researchers.

**Paragraph 2**

Both sides will encourage cooperation and direct communication in the fields of higher education and scientific research between higher education and scientific research institutions in both countries.

**Paragraph3**

Both sides will exchange publications and information on higher education and scientific research, including educational policies and systems.

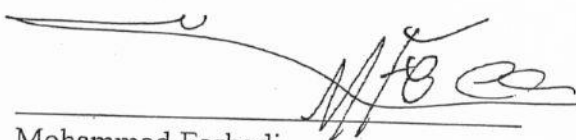
Paragraph 4

1. This Memorandum of Cooperation is not legally binding and does not create any rights or obligations on both sides.
2. This Memorandum of Cooperation will commence on the date of signing.
3. This Memorandum of Cooperation will continue unless either side informs the other side of the intention to terminate it by sending a written notification through diplomatic channels. This Memorandum of Cooperation will terminate thirty days from the date of receipt of the notification.

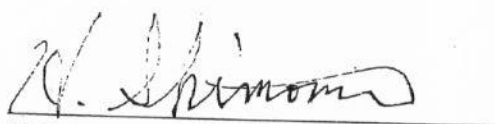
Signed in duplicate at Kyoto on the 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2015, in the English language.

For the Ministry of Science, Research  
and Technology of the Islamic  
Republic of Iran

For the Ministry of Education, Culture,  
Sports, Science and Technology of  
Japan



Mohammad Farhadi  
Minister



Hakubun Shimomura  
Minister