

AGREEMENT FOR SCIENTIFIC-TECHNICAL COOPERATION BETWEEN ARMED FORCES UNIVERSITY ESPE AND BAR-ILAN UNIVERSITY

The ARMED FORCES UNIVERSITY ESPE of Equator, hereinafter called "THE UNIVERSITY", duly represented by Grab. Roque Moreira Cedeño as Rector and BAR-ILAN UNIVERSITY of Israel, hereinafter referred as "BIU", duly represented by Professor Benjamin Ehrenberg, as Vice President for Research, in desiring to develop academic exchange and cooperation in teaching and research for the advancement and diffusion of learning, agree as follows: suscriben el presente convenio específico al tenor de las siguientes cláusulas:

I. BACKGROUND

The two Universities are higher education institutions legally recognized in their respective countries, and are interested in establishing relations in the fields of science, technology and culture to contribute to economic and social betterment of their peoples and to strengthen their relationships.

On 3rd of May, 2012 in Israel, the Armed Forces University ESPE and Bar-Ilan University signed the specific mobility and academic exchange agreement for a period of five years.

II. OBJECTIVE

The parties agree to sign this agreement that aims to implement the Master of Science program in Nanotechnology of the "UNIVERSITY" with the academic collaboration of the "BIU".

III. COMMITMENTS

"BIU" and the "UNIVERSITY":

- 1. To establish a list of professors from the "BIU" that could teach in the Master of Science in Nanotechnology program at the Armed Forces University ESPE and the modality of implementation.*
- 2. To establish a list of laboratories of the "BIU" with the respective research topic that can accept up to a maximum of five students from the "UNIVERSITY" to carry out their thesis.*
- 3. To encourage the exchange of scientific materials, publications and information.*
- 4. To allow and use their best endeavors to stimulate visits from one university to the other by members of the academic staff for the purpose of participating in joint teaching, joint research and joint conferences programs.*
- 5. To provide access to university libraries, and other assistance and advice when necessary.*

“THE UNIVERSITY”:

- 1. To select students from the Nanotechnology Master of Science program for conducting the research thesis in the “BIU” laboratories.*
- 2. To provide to the chosen students the financing to carry out their research projects in the “BIU” whenever there are own funds or by contributions made by the National Secretariat of Higher Education, Science, Technology and Innovation-SENESCYT*
- 3. To provide to the professors of the “BIU” facilities for teaching and cover the cost of transportation, travel expenses and payments for the courses taught depending on the agreement between the two universities, whenever there are own funds or by contributions made by the National Secretariat of Higher Education, Science, Technology and Innovation-SENESCYT and in accordance with the internal legal procedure and Order of the Rectorate N° 2013-126-ESPE-a-3, of May 22nd 2013.*

“BIU”:

- 1. To provide to a maximum five students from the Nanotechnology Master of Science program of the “UNIVERSITY” a research topic to conduct their thesis projects. The students will be chosen according to their academic merits, as is usually done with local applicants.*
- 2. To cover the tuition and laboratory fees of the selected students from the “UNIVERSITY” who will conduct their thesis in the “BIU” laboratories.*

IV. PROGRAM COORDINATION

The management and coordination of the Master of Science Program in Nanotechnology will be provided by the “UNIVERSITY” with the academic collaboration of the “BIU”. Both parties have the responsibility to communicate suggestions on behalf of each institution, to negotiate with the other party, and to organize groups of professors to fulfill duties according to an established plan.

This being the case, the following are named as coordinators:

On behalf of the “UNIVERSITY”: Professor Alexis Debut, Ph.D.

On behalf of the “BIU”: Professor Benjamin Ehrenberg, Ph.D.

V. DISPUTE

The parties agree that any dispute or controversy arising from the execution of this agreement, or as a result of it, shall be resolved through a conciliation procedure and direct agreement between the parties.

VI. TIME PERIOD

This agreement shall remain in effect for an initial period of 5 (five) years, and will be renewed according to a new understanding between the parties.

VII. TERMINATION BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT

CAUSES OF TERMINATION. - Agreement will end up for the following reasons:

- *Serious breach by either party of the provisions contained in the Agreement;*
- *Mutual agreement between the parties;*
- *For one-sided declaration at any time during the time period of this agreement, by one party, with the obligation to send a written notice to the other party at least 60 days in advance;*
- *For reaching agreement deadline.*

VIII. ADDRESS FOR NOTIFICATIONS

For purposes of communications and/or notifications, the parties' addresses are the following:

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IX. ACCEPTANCE OF THE PARTIES

For this purpose, the representatives of the parties agree to sign this agreement in four (4) copies (two in English and two in Spanish) of same content and value,

**ARMED FORCES UNIVERSITY
ESPE**

BAR-ILAN UNIVERSITY

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General de Brigada
RECTOR*

*Profesor Benjamin Ehrenberg
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