## Memorandum of Understanding

## Between

Agency for Accreditation of Educational Programs and Organizations, Kyrgyzstan ("The Institution")

and

International Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (QAHE)

This agreement is made this 31st January 2023 between International Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (QAHE), is a voluntary, non-governmental, membership association that is dedicated to quality assurance and improvement through accreditation. (Hereinafter QAHE) and Agency for Accreditation of Educational Programs and Organizations, Kyrgyzstan (Hereinafter The Institution).

In the spirit of friendship and with mutual interest in cooperation, QAHE and The Institution enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to promote joint educational and cultural collaboration and agree to recognize each other and their members reciprocally.

This MOU shall be in effect for a period of 5 years from the last date of signature. Either party may request termination of this agreement, in writing, ninety (90) days prior to the proposed termination date. Any activities in progress at the time of termination shall be permitted to conclude as planned unless otherwise agreed in writing.

A joint evaluation of the MOU will be initiated by the designated representatives six (6) months prior to the expiration date. Following the evaluation, the MOU may be renewed and resigned for an additional five (5) year period.

Amendments to this MOU may be requested, in writing, by either party and approved by the authorized signatories.

The parties agree not to discriminate on the basis of religion, race, creed, national or ethnic origin, sex, age, handicap, political affiliation, sexual orientation, disability or status as a veteran.

The parties specifically intend to comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations as they may be amended from time to time. If any part of this Agreement is determined to violate federal, state, or local laws, rules, or regulations, the parties agree to negotiate in good faith revisions to any such provisions. If the parties fail to agree within a reasonable time to revisions required to bring the entire Agreement into compliance, either party may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party.

Authorized Signatory

International Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (QAHE)

Date: 31 January 2023

Methorized Signatory

Agency for Accreditation of Educational Programs and Organizations, Kyrgyzstan

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"The Institution")

Date: 31 January 2023