

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**BETWEEN**

**THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA**

**AND**

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY**

**ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

Guided by the desire to enhance the friendly bilateral relations between both Countries in the field of education and training, and appreciating the importance of education as a factor of economic development, as well as a means for further cultivating the ties between their peoples, the Government of Australia and the Government of the Republic of Turkey (herein referred to as "the Parties") record the following understandings:

**PARAGRAPH 1**

This Memorandum of Understanding provides the framework within which programmes of cooperation in education and training are to be jointly considered between the Parties on the basis of reciprocity and mutual benefit.

**PARAGRAPH 2**

The Parties will endeavour to encourage and facilitate, as appropriate and in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations of both Parties, the development of contacts and cooperation between government agencies, educational institutions, organisations, and other entities of Australia and the Republic of Turkey and the conclusion of further arrangements between such bodies for the conduct of cooperative activities.

To this end, each Party may

- (a) facilitate the exchange of academic staff and students between recognised schools and institutions of vocational and higher education;
- (b) encourage mutual assistance and exchange of information in areas of interest in schools, vocational and higher education;
- (c) facilitate the organisation of relevant specialised exhibitions and seminars;
- (d) support the development of collaborative training, joint research, technology transfer, and joint ventures between appropriate authorities and institutions;
- (e) promote the development of joint activities leading to the exploitation of information technology, especially the internet, in the field of education;
- (f) support scholarships, especially for post-graduate studies, masters and PhD's in those areas of mutual interest, to contribute to the training of human resources;
- (g) promote linguistic exchanges between both countries and foster the development of linguistic skills in a way that allows Australia to support English training programs and the Republic of Turkey to support Turkish training programs;

- (h) exchange information regarding institutions that promote and regulate education in both countries, Academies, Universities and other education institutions;
- (i) arrange other forms of education and training cooperation as may be mutually determined.

#### PARAGRAPH 3

The costs of cooperative activities under this Memorandum of Understanding will be funded as mutually determined and will be subject to the availability of funds.

#### PARAGRAPH 4

- (a) This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect from the date in which the parties notify each other, through diplomatic channels, of the fulfilment of the respective domestic legal requirements.
- (b) This Memorandum of Understanding may be terminated at any time by either Party giving notice in writing of its intention to do so to the other Party. The termination will come into effect one month after notice is given.
- (c) In the event of the termination of this Memorandum of Understanding, the provisions hereunder will continue to be in effect until such time when the implementation of any procedures, plans and programmes of cooperation made hereunder have been carried out to their completion, unless otherwise arranged.
- (d) This Memorandum of Understanding may be reviewed or modified by mutual consent. Any alteration or modification of this Memorandum of Understanding may be done by arrangement in writing between the Parties.
- (e) This Memorandum of Understanding is to be in effect for five years, and after the expiry of that time, unless otherwise arranged between the Parties, it will come into effect for another period of five years.

**PARAGRAPH 5**

Both Parties will settle amicably, and without unreasonable delay, by consultation any differences arising in relation to this Memorandum

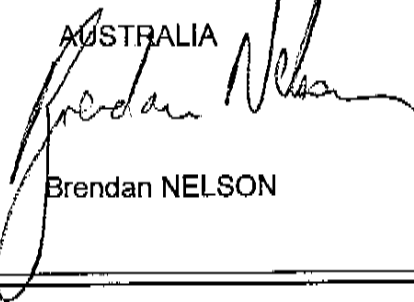
**PARAGRAPH 6**

This MOU is signed in both, English and Turkish, both texts being equally authentic.

This Memorandum of Understanding is signed at Canberra on the sixteenth day of June in the year 2003

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF

AUSTRALIA



Brendan NELSON

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THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY



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