

# **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

## **Eastern Washington University, Cheney, Washington, USA and Kherson State University, Kherson, Ukraine**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) serves as a facilitating document toward establishing cooperation between Eastern Washington University (EWU) and Kherson State University (KSU).

All of the provisions of this MOU and future documents/project proposals/addendum are subject to mutual agreement of the parties, to the availability of appropriate funding at each institution. The MOU is also subject to periodic review by the EWU Executive Director, Office of Global Initiatives (OGI), and the KSU Chief International Officer and, when necessary, university counsel. Parties to this MOU have the right to negate this MOU and any future addendum by informing the partner in writing six months prior to agreement termination date.

### **PARTNER BACKGROUND**

EWU – Founded in 1882, EWU is a comprehensive public university located in Cheney, Washington, USA. EWU offers nearly 200 fields of study, to include 55 graduate programs and one applied doctorate. EWU's comprehensive liberal arts curriculum and emphasis on real-world experiences prepares graduates for success in a competitive global job market while preparing them to live in a multicultural, technology-based society.

KSU – Founded in 1917, KSU is a versatile educational, scientific, pedagogical and cultural center of Southern Ukraine. KSU is attended by 8000 full-time students and 650 doctoral students representing twenty-three regions of Ukraine and CIS countries. Recognized for excellence in comprehensive education, research and internationalization, KSU has academic research and cultural collaboration agreements with more than twenty institutions worldwide.

### **RECAP OF COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIP ACTIVITIES TO DATE**

Following the successful completion of the fall 2012 IREX University Administration Support Program Fellowship program (USAP), EWU's Office of Information Technology (OIT) has established a working relationship with KSU. Potential for multi-faceted collaboration also exists between EWU's Office of Global Initiatives (OGI) and KSU.

Both institutions have engaged in a variety of informal communication and meetings in support of the fall 2012 IREX UASP program. As a direct result of collaborative participation in the previously-mentioned program, EWU and KSU hope to expand relations and build collaborative efforts that include the following:

### **LONG TERM OBJECTIVES**

EWU and KSU hope to formally establish ongoing collaboration to include the development and implementation of cooperative projects such as the following:

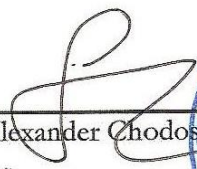
- Consulting – EWU OIT leaders could act as strategic consultants in support of KSU's desire to implement the strategic planning process outlined as part of the IREX UASP program. Two-way travel between EWU and KSU would play an integral role in this process.

- Grant Opportunities – EWU and KSU could work together on short-term projects, government sponsored programs and grant-funded research opportunities
- Internships – EWU and KSU could help facilitate and provide international internships for EWU and KSU students focused on technology fields
- Faculty-Led Study Abroad Programs – EWU and KSU could host student groups and accompanying home institution faculty members as part of future study abroad programming.

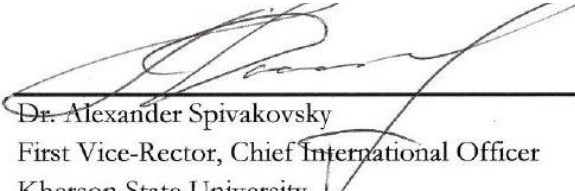
By formalizing this relationship, initially through this memorandum of understanding and, once all aspects of this collaborative relationship are agreed upon, more formally through additional signed addendums, EWU and KSU hope to establish a more permanent basis for these contacts and proposed projects. In order to support the development of this partnership, both institutions agree to have an annual review of progress and agreement renewal every five years.

#### SIGNATURES

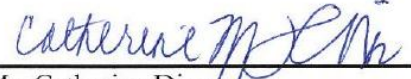
Only the authorized agents listed below may make changes to this MOU and future addendum provided that both parties mutually agree upon such changes in writing.



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23.10.2012  
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