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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
AVICENNA CENTER OF EXCELLENCE-ISFAHAN, IRAN
AND
UNIVERSITY OF SOUSSE-TUNISIA**

Article 1-Context:

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Avicenna Center of Excellence (referred to as ACE) located at No. 6 Alley, Allameh Majlesi Street, Quds Square, Isfahan, and the University of Sousse (referred to as Uso) located at Avenue Khalifa El Karoui Sahloul 4 BP 526, Sousse 4002 Tunisia, aims to enhance collaboration between the parties involved. It signifies their mutual intent to establish an effective interdisciplinary research network in the field of sciences.

Article 2-Axes of cooperation:

To promote cooperation, Uso and ACE agree to explore the possibility of developing collaborations which are mutually beneficial to researchers from both sides.

This may include:

1. Research collaboration in mutually common Areas.
2. Establishment of an interdisciplinary Research Network.
3. Promoting the implementation of shared Initiatives.
4. Identifying and cultivating key areas of mutual interest for joined Projects.

Article 3-Duration, Mode and Termination :

The MOU shall remain in force for (03) three years and may be renewed by mutual consent of the two parties. Each party may terminate this MoU by providing 30 days' advance written notice to other party. Such termination shall not affect the validity of any agreement already made under the terms of this MoU.



Article 4-Exchange Program:

Both parties will collaborate to explore potential avenues for supporting the aforementioned activities, including travel, subsistence, and accommodation costs for their respective faculty and staff involved in visits associated with the MOU. Both Parties may express their shared commitment to establish specific agreements, with provision for additional activities in designated annexes as required."

Article 5- Research Network:

Both parties agree to provide requirements for establishment and development of Interdisciplinary Research Network and to reasonably assist each other with ensuring requirements. The MOU is intended by the parties to be non-binding.

Article 6: Monitoring and evaluation

All activities to be implemented under this MoU shall be concluded periodically by a common report assessing the effectiveness of the outputs foreseen by both parties to facilitate communication and suggest new perspectives of development.

Article 6- Dispute Resolution:

All disputes between the parties arising out of or relating to this MoU Shall be referred, firstly, to their respective Heads of resolution within 30 days of such dispute arising. Any dispute or controversy arising over the interpretation or application of this MoU, shall be settled amicably by negotiation and conciliation. In case of the non-settlement of the controversy, both parties will resort to diplomatic channels.

Article 7- Language

The MOU shall be written in English and shall come into force when signed by the Directors of ACE and USo.

Signatures:

Place and date

Director of Avicenna Center of Excellence
Isfahan Elite Foundation,
Isfahan -Iran

Prof. Dr. Hossein Rabbani

Place and date

President of the University of Sousse
Tunisia

Prof. Dr. Lotfi Belkacem

