

COLLABORATION PROTOCOL

Between

**'Center for Desert Architecture and Urban Planning',
Jacob Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research,
Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel**

And

**Yıldız Technical University,
Faculty of Architecture, Istanbul, Turkey**

In the spirit of the dialogue between cultures and in respect to the common interest in promoting the traditional and modern values of the Israeli and Turkish architecture and architectural training.

The two institutions of higher education in architecture and urbanism decided to elaborate, sign and implement a protocol of collaboration to share the following goals, objectives and responsibilities:

I. Goals

The present protocol has as goal of the co-operation in:

- a) Improving the methods and developing the means of education and training in architecture, urbanism and planning,
- b) Exchanging perspectives between the academics of the two institutions, about the contemporary trends in architectural education, architectural practice and architectural heritage preservation and enhancement.
- c) Participating jointly at bilateral, international projects and programs of education, architectural or cultural dimension

II. Objectives

The partners decided to target their collaboration towards the following objectives:

- a) Establishing direct, personal contact between chairs and departments of similar teaching fields, in order to develop scientific and didactic cooperation,
- b) Setting up a framework of student and academic staff mobility between the two Universities, based upon the system of recognition of academic credits,
- c) Co-operation in the further training of architects involved in architectural heritage conservation,
- d) Exchanges of academic publications,
- e) Participation at the scientific conferences organized by the parties.

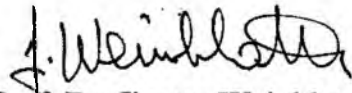
III. Responsibilities

In respect to the completion of the above mentioned objectives, the two universities establish the following responsibility principles:

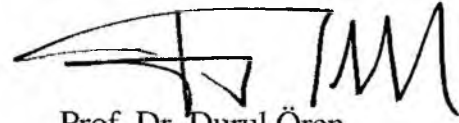
- a) The head of 'Center for Desert Architecture and Urban Planning', Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel and the Dean of the Faculty of Architecture, Yıldız Technical University, Istanbul will evaluate each year the progress of the collaboration protocol.




- b) A person in charge with the co-ordination and implementation of the protocol will be appointed by the head of the 'Center for Desert Architecture and Urban Planning', Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel and the Dean of the Faculty of Architecture of Yıldız University, Istanbul.
- c) The different departments and chairs of the two institutions will propose to each other the appropriate activities of common interest, "a Calendar of Activities" being established each November for the year to come.
- d) A wider public profile of the collaboration between the two Universities will be sought through media, diplomatic and business environments in both countries.



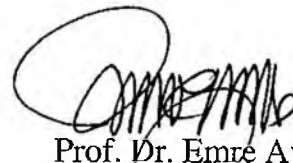
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