



«АККРЕДИТЕУ ЖӘНЕ РЕЙТИНГТІҢ
ТӘУЕЛСІЗ АГЕНТТІГІ» КЕМ
НУ «НЕЗАВИСИМОЕ АГЕНТСТВО
АККРЕДИТАЦИИ И РЕЙТИНГА»
INDEPENDENT AGENCY FOR
ACCREDITATION AND RATING



NATIONAL AGENCY
for HIGHER EDUCATION
QUALITY ASSURANCE
(UKRAINE)

Cooperation Agreement

**between The National Agency for Higher Education Quality Assurance (Ukraine) and
Non-profit Independent Agency for Accreditation and Rating (Kazakhstan)**

Kyiv

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The National Agency for Higher Education Quality Assurance represented by the Head Serhiy Kvit, hereinafter referred to as NAQA, on the one hand, and **Non-profit Independent Agency for Accreditation and Rating** represented by the Director-General Zhumagulova A.B, hereinafter referred to as IAAR, on the other hand, jointly referred to as the Parties, guided by the national legislation of Ukraine and Kazakhstan, rules of international law, entered into a Cooperation Agreement (hereinafter - the Agreement).

I. Subject and purpose of Parties cooperation

The subject of the Agreement is the cooperation of the Parties on the issue of quality assurance of educational services (accreditation), partnerships establishment and the development of long-term, effective and mutually beneficial cooperation between the Parties.

II. Main areas of Parties cooperation

The Parties to this Agreement express their intention to promote the establishment and strengthening of multilateral mutual relations in the following areas:

- increasing the level of openness (transparency) and objectivity in the field of education quality assurance;
- experience exchange in the field of procedures and mechanisms of independent evaluation and accreditation of educational organizations;
- cooperation development through training of experts on educational quality assessment from among teaching staff, employers and students for participation in independent accreditation procedures;
- organization of forums, conferences, round tables to share experience in improving the quality of education;
- under previous agreement the Parties may exchange experts and attract experts with a Ph.D. or Doctorate profile and who are representatives of the professional community with experience in the independent external expert commission in the field of accreditation of educational programmes or in the area of specialist training by an accredited educational organization and previously recommended by NAQA or IAAR;

- any other types of cooperation agreed by the Parties.

III. Interaction of the Parties

Under this Agreement, the Parties shall interact on the principles of openness and integrity.

The Parties shall interact with each other on the implementation of clauses of this Agreement through contact persons delegated by the Parties to consider emerging issues and conduct joint actions.

The contact persons working in close cooperation with other employees of each organization shall:

- promote cooperation between the Parties in the field of education;
- act as the main points of contact for planning, organization and coordination;
- provide information on the results of activities in the above areas;
- at least 1 (once) per year, the Parties shall jointly organize meetings to summarize the completed activities and plan future areas of cooperation.

IV. Term of Agreement

By agreement of each of the Parties, this Agreement has been concluded for an indefinite period.

V. Final Agreement Clauses

The Parties assume that no action under this Agreement infringes upon any powers and rights of the Parties.

Disputes and disagreements between the Parties on issues within the scope of this Agreement will be resolved through negotiations or consultations between the Parties.

Amendments and additions to this Agreement shall be executed in writing under the signature of authorized persons of the Parties and shall be an integral part of this Agreement.

Either Party may terminate this Agreement providing written notification of its intention to the other Party. In such a case, this Agreement shall cease to have effect one month after the receipt of the relevant notification.

Should this Agreement be terminated, its provisions will apply until the full implementation of the joint programmes and projects launched within it.

This Agreement has been drawn up in two copies in English language, one for each of the Parties and shall enter into force on the date of its signing by both Parties.

**The National Agency for Higher Education
Quality Assurance (NAQA)**

**Non-profit Independent Agency for
Accreditation and Rating IAAR**



Head

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Zhumagulova A.B.