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Kiron  
Memorandum of Understanding

with

Partner University

**Preamble**

*The UN High Commissioner for Refugees identified that refugees and students in crisis regions face particular challenges accessing higher education due to lack of legal documentation, school certificates, payment of international student fees, language barriers and available university placements. This reality prohibits people from living up to their potential and produces high integration costs for host countries.*

*Kiron Open Higher Education (gGmbH) is a non-governmental non-profit organization whose mission is to reduce the barriers refugees face accessing higher education. Kiron Open Higher Education is inviting selected partner universities such as Insert Parter Name in order to offer online academic courses or programs, tailor-made for the needs of refugees. Parties of this agreement agree to cooperate in order to provide refugees with these academic programs, which are considered an important and unique educational and cultural opportunity for refugees.*

*Insert Partner Name is a private/public university operating under German (insert country) regulations and law. As such Insert Partner Name has the mission to educate the next generation of researchers, scientists and public leaders. In order to prevent the creation of a “lost generation” of young people in those countries that have been destroyed by civil strife or war, Insert Partner Name has pledged itself to provide qualified refugees with an education that will enable them to rebuild their countries or to integrate themselves in their host countries.*

*In this Memorandum of Understanding both Kiron and Insert Partner Name agree to cooperate in order to provide refugees with a suitable education giving them a viable prospect for the future.*

**DEFINITIONS IN THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

1. “**Kiron**”:Kiron Open Higher Education gGmbH
2. “**Partner University**”:Insert Partner Name
3. “**The Parties**”:Kiron and Partner University

**Article 1:**

Kiron Open Higher Education (hereinafter reffered to as **Kiron)** and **Partner University** agree that both sides will cooperate on offering online-based educational courses for refugees. Kiron will provide a platform for refugees on which they can choose from already existing courses from a variety of Higher Education Institutions. **Partner University** agrees to consider which online courses can be recognized within existing study programs of the university**. Partner University** will communicate this information to Kiron which in turn will make this information available for refugees studying within the Kiron framework. Additionally, **Partner University** will consider creating new online courses if the need for such is manifest and the resources for the production are available.

**Article 2:**

The cooperation between Kiron and **Partner University** might be extended into new areas if both sides agree to do so.

**Article 3:**

Kiron is entitled to state that **Partner University** is a partner institution of Kiron when promoting Kiron programs online and offline; Kiron is also entitled to use the logo of **Partner University** for such purposes.

Likewise, **Partner University** is entitled to state that Kiron is a partner institution when promoting KIU programs online and offline; KIU is also entitled to use the logo of Kiron for such purposes.

Both Kiron and **Partner University** undertake not to make any improper, unauthorized or inaccurate use of the name, logos, crest, coat of arms or insignia of the other party to this Memorandum.

**Article 6**

Where priorities and programs align, Kiron and **Partner University** can apply jointly for any grant application. Cooperation in well-defined grant applications of mutual interest will strengthen the collaboration between Kiron and **Partner University.** Kiron is entitled to state that **Partner University** is a partner institution of Kiron for any grant application procedure; Kiron is also entitled to disclose any information relating to the current status of the partnership in any grant procedure. Kiron ensures that **Partner University** will always receive the respective applications first for review and will not conduct a submission without the prior consent of **Partner University**. Likewise, **Partner University** is entitled to state that Kiron is a partner for any grant application procedure; **Partner University** is also entitled to disclose any information relating to the current status of the partnership in any grant procedure. **Partner University** ensures that Kiron will always receive the respective applications first for review and will not conduct a submission without the prior consent of Kiron.

**Article 5:**

This Memorandum of Understanding shall not constitute any financial obligations between both signatories. Neither party shall be liable to the other for any special or consequential damages, including but not limited to, lost profits, loss of use, costs of replacement, breach of contract, or any other cause whatsoever.

**Article 6:**

Any changes to this Memorandum of Understanding must be in written form and signed by all the contracting parties. Should any provision of this agreement be or become invalid or unenforceable, the validity or enforceability of the other provisions of this agreement shall not be affected thereby. The invalid or unenforceable provision shall be deemed to be substituted by a suitable and equitable provision which, to the extent legally permissible, comes as close as possible to the economic intent and purpose of such invalid or unenforceable provision.

**Contracting Parties:**

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| **Kiron Open Higher Education**  Am Festungsgraben 1  10117 Berlin/Germany    Represented by:  Mr. Vincent Zimmer,  Co-Founder & Head of Business Development | **Insert Partner Name**  Fill in Adress....  ......  Represented by:  Fill in Name of responsible  Fill in Title |

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