

**Memorandum of Understanding
between
Institute of Botany,
Ministry of Science and Education of the Republic of Azerbaijan
and
M.G. Kholodny Institute of Botany,
National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine
on cooperation in the field of Research, Training and other areas**

Institute of Botany, Ministry of Science and Education of the Republic of Azerbaijan and M.G.Kholodny Institute of Botany, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine (hereinafter referred to as "Sides") desire to promote mutual interests to review and facilitate cooperation in the field of research and training for investigation, collection, propagation, conservation of plant resources.

Sides have reached to the understanding on research and training for investigation, collection, propagation, conservation of plant resources and are not intended to create any legally binding obligations.

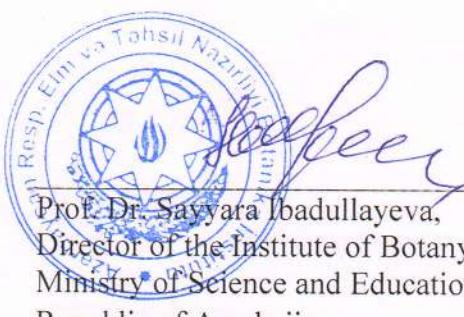
1. Cooperation under this MoU may include the following, on the condition that such cooperation comes within the area of competence of Sides:
 - Conducting of joint field work expeditions carried out in accordance with all applicable access laws and regulations and in accordance with all applicable permits, prior informed consents and/or licenses and in an ecologically sustainable manner;
 - Carrying out joint scientific research projects to better evaluate and to study in the field of botany and mycology, evolutionary palynology, the microstructure of some significant plant and fungal groups;
 - Exchange of staff members for research and training;
 - Exchange of publications, information and relevant scientific literature;
 - Sharing data and including them in a database, joint publications;
 - Information about research progress in these fields;
 - Any other programs/workshops of mutual interest.
2. Sides shall not without prior written consent of one another transfer or use the materials and/or transferred data and images for profit or for any other commercial application.
3. Each side shall, on request, provide the other with reasonable assistance in obtaining the necessary authorizations to enable the lawful attendance of appropriate staff personnel at relevant courses, workshops and research projects in Azerbaijan and in Ukraine.
4. This MoU will come into effect on the date of signature, and will remain effective for five (5) years. After this period, the MoU is then extended automatically by one year, if it is not expressively terminated.
5. Either Side may terminate this MoU at any time by giving six (6) months' advance written notification to the other Sides. Such termination will be without prejudice to any ongoing projects and program.
6. In the event of any dispute between the Sides arising in connection with this MoU, the Director of Institute of Botany, Ministry of Science and Education of the Republic of Azerbaijan and the Director the M.G. Kholodny Institute of Botany, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine will communicate using their best efforts to resolve the dispute or disagreements.

7. If the dispute cannot be so resolved, the Sides will refer it to an independent mutually agreed expert for the recommendation of a resolution of the dispute.
8. Sides agree to acknowledge one another in publications arising out of this collaboration.

Signed in duplicate on July, 3 2023

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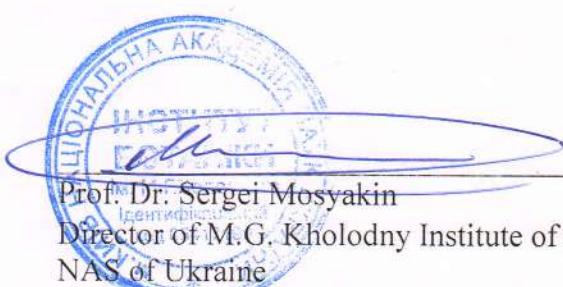
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