



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE KOREA ACADEMIC RECOGNITION INFORMATION CENTER (KARIC)
AND THE MONGOLIAN NATIONAL INFORMATION CENTER FOR ACADEMIC
RECOGNITION (MON-NARIC)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made between the Korea Academic Recognition Information Center, hereinafter referred to as "KARIC," and the Mongolian National Information Center for Academic Recognition, hereinafter referred to as "MON-NARIC."

KARIC is an institution that provides information on higher education qualifications and systems in the Republic of Korea. It was established under the Korean University Accreditation Institute (KUAI), Korean Council for University Education (KCUE), the representative body of four-year universities in Korea. KARIC is located at 22-23rd Floor, Daesung D-POLIS, 606 Seobusaet-gil, Geumcheon-gu, Seoul, Republic of Korea.

MON-NARIC operates under the Mongolian National Council for Education Accreditation (MNCEA), an independent agency responsible for accrediting academic programs in Mongolia. It also functions as the National Information Center for Academic Recognition. Its office is located on the 3rd Floor, San Business Center, Prime Minister A. Amar Street, Sukhbaatar District, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia.

KARIC and MON-NARIC (each hereinafter referred to as a "Party," and collectively referred to as the "Parties") have reached the following understanding:

Article I: Purpose of the Memorandum

- a. The Parties aim to establish, strengthen, promote, and cooperate in the development and implementation of qualification recognition practices and national qualifications frameworks and systems.
- b. The Parties agree to exchange information and provide professional advice regarding each other's policies, practices, and procedures, including developments in higher education systems and cross-border education, subject to applicable confidentiality and data protection laws.
- c. This cooperation shall be based on the principles of mutual trust, respect, and benefit.

Article II: Areas of Cooperation and Collaboration

The Parties intend to promote the exchange of expertise to enhance mutual understanding and trust in their respective qualification's recognition processes. Areas of cooperation may include, but are not limited to:

- a. Exchange of data, research, and policy information to strengthen and harmonize recognition practices;
- b. Sharing of case studies and practical experiences to improve procedures and decision-making in credential evaluation;
- c. Joint initiatives to support and promote student and academic mobility between the two countries;
- d. Implementation of comparability and benchmarking exercises to evaluate recognition of Korean qualifications in Mongolia and vice versa;
- e. Cooperation on developing procedures and tools for the fair recognition of qualifications held by refugees and displaced persons, including cases with incomplete documentation;
- f. Co-organization of training programs, workshops, and seminars for credential evaluators, covering topics such as international trends and digital credentials;
- g. Exchange visits and staff secondments between recognition agencies to share best practices and institutional knowledge;
- h. Implementation of continuous professional development programs, including certification schemes, online learning, and peer-learning platforms;
- i. Development of joint publications, toolkits, guidelines, or digital platforms to support mutual understanding and promote shared recognition practices.

Article III: Financial Arrangements

- a. All activities under this MoU shall be subject to the availability of funds and resources of each Party.
- b. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, each Party shall bear its own costs and expenses associated with implementing activities under this MoU.
- c. The Parties may jointly seek funding for specific activities, including but not limited to:
National funding mechanisms through respective education or government bodies;
International funding from multilateral or bilateral donors or international organizations.

Article IV: Contact Persons

- a. Each Party shall designate a liaison officer and share their contact details to facilitate communication and coordinate cooperation under this MoU.
- b. Any changes in contact details shall be promptly communicated in writing to the other Party.

Article V: Confidentiality and Intellectual Property

a. If either Party shares confidential information under this MoU and designates it as such, the receiving Party shall treat it as confidential, use it only for the agreed purposes, and not disclose it without written consent, except as required by law or judicial process.

b. Proprietary information and materials shared under this MoU shall be protected in accordance with the applicable laws of each Party and relevant international intellectual property agreements. The Parties may agree in advance on specific terms for the use and protection of such information.

Article VI: Entry into Force, Duration, and Termination

a. This MoU shall enter into effect on the date of signature by both Parties.

b. Amendments or modifications to this MoU shall be made in writing with mutual consent and shall take effect on a date mutually agreed upon by the Parties.

c. Either Party may terminate this MoU by giving three (3) months' written notice to the other Party. Termination shall not affect the completion of ongoing activities unless otherwise agreed.

Signed in duplicate in English at UNESCO HQ on this 24 day of June in the year 2025.

Signed by:

Ms. Minah Park, Director, KARIC; and

Dr. Suk Yeol Lee, President, KUAI; and

Dashdorj Munkhbat, Chair, MON-NARIC; and

Dr. Amarsanaa Bor, Director, MNCEA



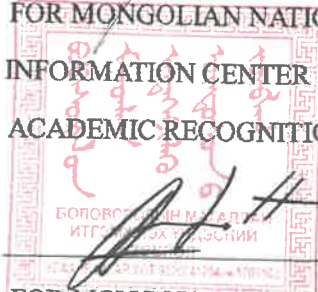
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