



COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE MEDITERRANEAN ACADEMY OF DIPLOMATIC STUDIES
OF MALTA
AND
THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COLLEGE OF CHINA

With a view to strengthening friendly relations and promoting academic exchanges and cooperation between the two institutions, the Mediterranean Academy for Diplomatic Studies (MEDAC) and the Foreign Affairs College (FAC) of the People's Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as "the two parties") have reached the following cooperation agreement after friendly consultations.

Article 1

The two parties agree to carry out exchange visits, which include leaders and scholars from the two parties regarding the implementation of the cooperation agreement. The receiving party shall provide local accommodation and transportation for the delegation during the visit, while the sending party shall be responsible for international travel expenses.

Article 2

The two parties will exchange visiting scholars for short term and long term lecturerships in accordance with their respective needs. MEDAC shall provide payment and necessary conditions corresponding to the Chinese scholar's academic title and professional rank within Malta, as well as medical insurance for general illnesses. FAC shall provide accommodation, local transportation, medical care for general illnesses, and an appropriate amount of allowance. The two parties shall bear their own international travel expenses respectively.

Article 3

In order to promote direct exchange between the students of the two institutions the two parties agree to engage in various forms of student exchange programs according to their respective needs, with all expenses to be paid by the students themselves. The two parties agree to provide necessary assistance to the students on exchange programs.

Article 4

Where funding resources are available, the two parties would like to jointly hold academic symposia on topics of mutual interest and as agreed upon.

Article 5

The two parties agree to exchange experience in teaching and research, academic curricula and syllabi, as well as other relevant academic materials between the two institutions.

The two parties will undertake joint academic research and publish their achievements in the form of academic monographs.

Article 6

With regard to relevant details in the implementation of this cooperation agreement, the two parties would consult to clarify these circumstances.

Article 7

The cooperation agreement shall enter into force on the date it is signed by both parties. It shall be valid for a period of five years.

The agreement shall be renewed automatically for another five years, unless one of the parties informs the other party in writing and at least ninety days in advance of his intention to modify or terminate the agreement.

Article 8

The two parties agree to stay in close touch for further consultation and discussion on issues that may arise in the exchange and cooperation between MEDAC and FAC.

Article 9

Done in duplicate in Beijing the 2nd day of July, 2001 in the English and Chinese languages, both texts being equally authentic.



For the
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Diplomatic Studies, Malta



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