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السيدة مدير مكتب الشؤون القانونية

تحية طيبة، وبعد،

فأرفق طياً نسخة من مذكرة التفاهم بين الجامعة الهاشمية والسادة مؤسسة  
(Wikimedia Foundation) بشأن التعاون الاستراتيجي الثقافي .

للتفضل بالإطلاع، واتخاذ الإجراءات اللازمة بشأنها كل فيما يخصه وحسب الأصول.

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## **Memorandum of Understanding for Strategic and Cultural Cooperation**

**Wikimedia Foundation**

**And**

**The Hashemite University – The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan**

This Memorandum of Understanding is a non-binding reflection of the current understanding between The Hashemite University and the Wikimedia Foundation.

### **First Party**

The Hashemite University, duly represented by Prof. Kamal Bani-Hani – University President or whomever he designates in writing – with his domicile being Al Zarqa – The Hashemite University, Tel. +962 53903333 P.O. Box 150453, Postal Code 13115.

### **Second Party**

Wikimedia Foundation – San Francisco, United States of America, duly represented by Ms. Katherine Maher – Executive Director, Tel. +1-415-839-6885.

### **Preamble**

Owing to the strive by Wikimedia Foundation, and the Hashemite University in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to establish and enhance strategic and cultural bilateral relations; and whereas the First Party represents The Hashemite University – a prestigious Jordanian university and a reputable academic establishment thereof; and whereas the Second Party represents the Wikimedia Foundation – a non-profit organization hosting the multilingual Wikipedia encyclopedia, which is considered the fifth most browsed site worldwide. The two Parties hereto have therefore agreed to conclude a Memorandum of Understanding for Strategic and Cultural Cooperation.

### **First Party Obligations**

1. Inaugurating an induction office on behalf of Wikipedia at the campus of the Hashemite University, with the aim of spreading awareness on the importance of Wikipedia and training students on the relevant mechanisms through which they may contribute to and enrich the encyclopedia; owing to its status as a high-readership, multilingual and free resource. The Arabic Online Content Club – Deanship of Student Affairs shall oversee

introducing the students to Wikipedia and shall supervise the training of students on the means of effectively contributing to the encyclopedia.

2. Designating a space within the library of The Hashemite University for Wikipedia; to contain introductory publications outlining the profile of the encyclopedia and its role in enriching free human knowledge.
3. Approving the adoption of the "Wikipedia Education Program" as a sustainable campus activity that is part of the University's cultural offering; targeting the provision of services to the local community immediately surrounding the University, the wider Jordanian community as well as Arab and Islamic communities in general. This is in light of program outreach, which extends to Arab readers and provides them with educational and cultural content that is procured by the students of The Hashemite University and conveyed in its name.
4. Adding Arabic Wikisource (ar.wikisource.org) – a multilingual digital library of free texts in the making – to the search engine of the University's library. The site includes literary works and poetry as well as religious, heritage and historical books and scripts. The project contains some 79,000 pages and assists students in downloading and viewing texts on a complimentary basis, especially in the event that hard copies are either borrowed or unavailable.

### **Second Party Obligations**

1. Designating a laptop computer from its "Hardware Donation Program" to be placed in the Wikipedia induction office at the University campus. The device shall assist in training the students on the means of participating in enriching Wikipedia content.
2. Providing printed materials to introduce both Wikipedia and the Wikipedia Education Program, to be published under the supervision of the Wikimedia Foundation. Said materials shall be made available at both the Wikipedia induction office and the library of The Hashemite University.
3. Hosting Wikipedia and Wikisource, as well as the other Wikimedia projects.

### **Duration**

The term will begin the date this memorandum of understanding is signed by the final signing party and will continue for 5 years. Either party may terminate the arrangement at any time.

### **Publicity**

There may be a signing ceremony and press conference, hosted by the First Party, to accompany the signing of this Memorandum of Understanding.

Neither party will make public statements or announcements regarding their partnership or the Wikipedia via SMS service without review and approval from the other party.

**Relationship and Disclaimers**

This is a non-exclusive and non-binding engagement between two independent parties. Both parties understand that the services provided under this agreement by either party are voluntary and without compensation.

No monetary damages or injunctive relief are available to either of the parties as a result of the other party's failure to follow through with their intentions as described in this memorandum of understanding.

**Authorization**

The signatories are authorized representatives from their respective organizations and will strive to reach, to the best of their ability, the objectives stated in this memorandum of understanding.

**The Hashemite University**

**Signature:**



**Name:** Prof. Dr. Kamal Bani- Hani

**Title:** President

**Date:** 30 Oct 2018

**Wikimedia Foundation**

**Signature:**



**Name:** Katherine Maher

**Title:** Executive Director

**Date:** 30 October 2018