

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
**in the fields of Standardization, Certification, Metrology,**  
**Conformity Assessment and Technical Regulations**  
**between the Government of the Republic of Korea**  
**and the Government of Turkmenistan**

The Government of the Republic of Korea and the Government of Turkmenistan, hereinafter referred to as the “Parties”,

Being guided by an aspiration to eliminate technical barriers to trade and to strengthen economic relations between the Republic of Korea and Turkmenistan,

Being guided by an aspiration to promote mutual interests through cooperation in the areas of standardization, certification, metrology, conformity assessment and technical regulations on the basis of mutual benefit, and

Recognizing that such cooperation will promote economic cooperation, facilitate trade and support the friendly relations between two countries,

Have agreed as follows:

**Article 1**

The Parties will pursue cooperation in the areas of standardization, certification, metrology, conformity assessment and technical regulations on the basis of equality and mutual benefit in accordance with the provisions of this MoU and the respective laws and regulations of the two countries.

**Article 2**

Cooperation under this MoU may include:

(1) Visits and exchanges of experts in the fields of standardization, certification, metrology, conformity assessment and technical regulations;

(2) The exchange of relevant technical data and requested information;

(3) Cooperation within the framework of international and regional organizations;

(4) Supporting events to exchange experience, training, exhibitions, joint seminars as well as conferences in the areas of mutual interest;

(5) Recognizing declared results of standardization, certification, metrology, conformity assessment, technical regulations and accreditation efforts, based on subsequent mutually agreed terms;

(6) Further aspects of cooperation as mutually agreed by two Parties.

### **Article 3**

The expenses incurred in relation to the cooperative activities under this MoU will be borne as jointly decided upon by the Parties. Such activities will be carried out subject to the availability of appropriate funds and personnel of the respective countries.

### **Article 4**

1. No information derived from the cooperative activities under this MoU will be unilaterally disclosed by one Party for commercial or industrial purposes without the written consent of the other Party.

2. Scientific or technical information exchanged between the Parties during the course of cooperation under this MoU may only be provided to a third party with the mutual written consent of the Parties.

### **Article 5**

Competent authorities of the Parties for implementing the provisions of this MoU are:

- For the Republic of Korea – Korean Agency for Technology and Standards;

- For Turkmenistan – “Turkmenstandartlary” Main State Service.

The Parties shall notify each other through diplomatic channels in the event that the titles or functions of the above mentioned competent authorities of the Parties are modified.

### **Article 6**

The provisions of this MoU do not restrict the rights and commitments of the Parties under other international agreements to which their countries are party.



## Article 7

Any issues arising from the interpretation or implementation of this MoU will be settled through consultations between the Parties.

## Article 8

This MoU will remain in effect if a new organization succeeds one of the Parties and assumes the same responsibilities as the signatory. Any such change will be promptly notified to the other Party through diplomatic channels.

## Article 9

This MoU may be amended with the mutual consent of the Parties.

## Article 10

This MoU will come into effect on the date of its signing by both Parties.

This MoU will remain in effect for five years from the date of signing and will automatically be extended for successive five years periods unless otherwise amended.

This MoU may be terminated at any time by either Party by giving at least six months' prior notice to the other Party.

The termination of this MoU will not affect the validity or duration of the cooperative activities or projects under this MoU that were initiated prior to its termination.

Signed at Ashgabat on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2019 in duplicate in the Korean, Turkmen and English languages, all texts being equally valid. In case of any divergence in interpretation, the English text will prevail.



**For the Government  
of the Republic of Korea**



**For the Government  
of Turkmenistan**