



შოთა რუსთაველის ეროვნული
სამეცნიერო ფონდი
SHOTA RUSTAVELI NATIONAL
SCIENCE FOUNDATION



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

**LEPL Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation,
under the Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia**

and

**Science Development Foundation under the
President of the Republic of Azerbaijan**

PREAMBLE

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) sets for the terms and understanding between the LEPL Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation (hereinafter referred to as “SRNSF”), under the Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia, and the Science Development Foundation (hereinafter referred to as “SDF”) under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan to strengthen and deepen long-term mutually beneficial scientific cooperation between the SRNSF and the SDF (hereinafter together referred to as “the Parties”) and to enhance support and funding of collaborative activities in all fields of research, including the humanities and social sciences.

Taking into account historically established cultural and scientific relations between two countries and with the aim of broadening these relationships, SRNSF and SDF, have agreed upon the following:

ARTICLE (1) - GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1.1 The objective of the present Memorandum is to provide a framework for collaboration and scientific research among relevant scientific institutions, groups and researchers affiliated with the scientific communities in the Georgia and the Republic of Azerbaijan, represented in this case respectively by SRNSF and SDF, with the aim of supporting programs and fundamental-applied-innovative scientific researches in fields representing the interests of both Parties.
- 1.2 Eligible researchers and scientific groups from both Parties referred to in Article 1.1 include all researchers working at Georgian and Azerbaijani academic and research institutions, universities and all other science- and research-related organizations.
- 1.3 The Parties seek to promote joint utilization of scientific materials and exchange of scientific information in accordance with the regulations of country of Parties.
- 1.4 The Parties, as follow up of this Memorandum, will prepare and sign an official Agreement on Scientific Cooperation further enabling to announce and finance joint grant calls.
- 1.5 This Memorandum is not a commitment of funds.