



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON COOPERATION
BETWEEN**

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AND

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(DIN)**

Azerbaijan Standardization Institute, hereinafter referred to as AZSTAND, and DIN Deutsches Institut für Normung e. V., hereinafter referred to as DIN, and hereinafter referred to jointly as "the Parties" or individually as "Party";

Understanding the importance of protecting safety of human life, health and the environment, as well as improving quality of goods and services;

Considering mutual benefits in the field of standardization;

have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The Parties, while implementing the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding shall observe the legislation of the Republic of Azerbaijan and of the Federal Republic of Germany, respectively.

Article 2

The Parties intend to cooperate in harmonization of national standards with European and International Standards with the aim of removing technical barriers to trade and strengthening the economic cooperation between the Republic of Azerbaijan and the Federal Republic of Germany.

Article 3

The Parties aim to cooperate in the following areas:

- Exchange of normative documents adopted in the field of standardization for internal use only;
- Exchange of information on prospective standards development programs and projects;
- Exchange of information, know-how and consultations in the field of standardization;
- Exchange, upon request, of national standards, catalogues of national standards, periodic publications and other normative documents for internal use only;
- Exchange of expertise on training and re-training of specialists in standardization (see Article 4);
- Exchange of delegations and specialists (see Article 4);
- Organization of joint seminars and symposia (see Article 4).

Article 4

The Parties intend to spend the first year after the signature of this Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation in determining topics of interest for the exchange of experts, delegations and specialists, carry out an analysis of areas in which training and re-training of specialists is needed and investigate stakeholder's interest in carrying out joint seminars and symposia.

If no topics, trainings, stakeholder interests etc. can be identified within that year, no actions according to Article 4 shall be carried out.

Article 5

The confidential information arising from implementation of the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding can be transferred to a third Party only with the written consent of the Party, which has provided this information.

Article 6

The activities offered by the Parties are carried out voluntarily without any legal claims and liability. The implementation of such activity shall depend on the provision of financial and human resources available to the Parties involved.

Article 7

This Memorandum of Understanding does not exclude the right of AZSTAND and of DIN to conclude similar agreements on cooperation with a third party.

Article 8

Any disagreements arising from the interpretation and fulfillment of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled amicably by mutual consultations and negotiations.

Article 9

By mutual consent of the Parties, amendments and supplements may be made to the present Memorandum of Understanding in the form of separate protocols as an integral part of this Memorandum of Understanding, which shall come into force according to the rules of Article 10.

Article 10

This Memorandum of Understanding shall be in force for a period of 5 (five) years and shall be extended for subsequent periods of 1 (one) year, unless either Party terminate it by written notification through appropriate channels to the other Party at least 6 (six) months prior to such termination taking effect.

This Memorandum of Understanding shall be signed in two original copies, each in English language and shall become effective on the date it is signed.

Nothing in this Memorandum of Understanding shall be understood or construed as obligating the parties hereto to enter into the cooperation or to fulfill any of the obligations contained herein.

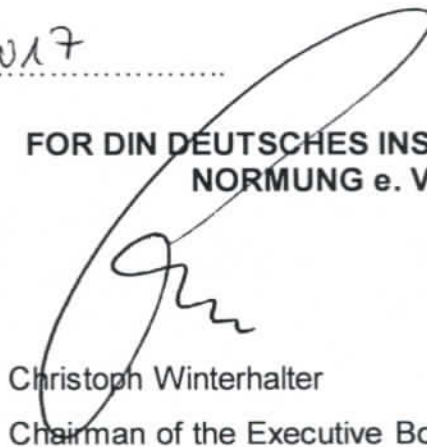
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