



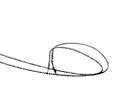
Memorandum of Understanding

between

The Regional Organization for the Conservation of the Environment of the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden PERSGA

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The Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization ISESCO





The Regional Organization of the Environment of the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden (hereinafter referred to as "PERSGA")

and

The Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (hereinafter referred to as "ISESCO")

Considering the objectives assigned to them in their respective statutary texts;

Considering ISESCO's interest in issues regarding environment and the conservation of natural resources;

Recognizing the role and objectives of PERSGA in the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden region towards the conservation of the marine and coastal environments;

Bearing in mind their fields of competence and the responsibilities conferred upon them in those fields;

With a view to developing harmonious and continuous collaboration between them;

Have agreed to the following:

Article 1:

ISESCO and PERSGA undertake to grant each other, as far as possible, all facilities conducive to the accomplishment of their tasks.

Article 2

Each party shall invite the other to send representatives to attend expert group and policy oriented meetings which either party is organizing.

Article 3

ISESCO and PERSGA shall also grant each other broad facilities for access to all data, documents, studies and statistics produced by one and likely to interest the other, and for the acquisition and exploitation thereof where appropriate. Procedures shall be jointly agreed upon to safeguard the confidential or restricted nature of information so exchanged.



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Article 4

Under the present Memorandum of Understanding, ISESCO and PERSGA agree to cooperate in any or all of the following fields:

- Biodiversity and marine protection
- Integrated coastal zone management
- Marine pollution monitoring and assessment
- Oceanography and seabed mapping
- Legislation and enforcement(related to marine coastal environment)
- Training and capacity building

Article 5

In order to maintain constant relations between ISESCO and PERSGA, the two parties agree to convene an ISESCO-PERSGA Joint Committee on a periodic basis, entrusted with undertaking any evaluation and making any such recommendations as may promote and activate the cooperation between the two parties.

Article 6

The two parties may agree upon such complementary arrangements as they may find desirable in the light of experience in order to improve or develop a modification or amendment as they deem necessary to the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding.

Article 7

This Memorandum of Understanding is concluded for an unspecified period of time. Nevertheless, either of the two parties may terminate it if subject to a sixmonth prior notice. In that event, ISESCO and PERSGA shall agree on the action to be taken concerning cooperation work in progress.



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Article 8

This Memorandum of Understanding shall take effect as of the date of its signature.

In witness thereof, this Memorandum of Understanding has been signed in Beirut, on the Twenty Fourth of April 2006, in two original copies, both of them being equally authentic.

For PERSGA

The Secretary General

Dr. Ziad H.Abughararah

For ISESCO

The Director General

Dr. Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri