



**COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF HUNGARY
ON EDUCATION COOPERATION**

The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and the Government of Hungary represented by the Ministry of Human Capacities, hereinafter referred to collectively as "the Parties", and individually as "Party";

DESIRING to further promote cooperation between ASEAN and Hungary that will further strengthen the close and friendly relations between ASEAN Member States and Hungary, especially in the field of education;

RECOGNISING the contribution of education and student mobility to economic and social development and the mutual benefits resulting from the Parties' extensive and close cooperation in these fields;

Have reached the following understandings:

Article 1

1. The Parties agree to establish a Hungary-ASEAN Scholarship Programme, hereinafter referred to as "Programme" to provide support to students who are nationals of ASEAN Member States and Hungary for pursuing Bachelor, Master, Doctorate, or Postdoctoral education outside of their home country.
2. The aim of the Programme is to also increase the quality of human resources by encouraging outstanding students and professors to undertake short-term or full-term studies or to conduct collaborative research in each other's higher education institutions, in order to strengthen academic and research network between the Parties.

Article 2

While providing study/research opportunities for a wide range of disciplines in higher education institutions of Hungary and Member States of ASEAN, this Programme also aims to:

- a. Promote knowledge, understanding and friendship between peoples of ASEAN Member States and Hungary;
- b. Provide opportunities to expand academic and educational contacts with international institutions of higher education;
- c. Develop outstanding professionals and experts to meet the needs of the global society.

Article 3

Under this Programme, Hungary will provide opportunities for students from ASEAN Member States to access to its higher education institutions, and offer scholarships and funding assistance for ASEAN students, primarily in the fields of Economics, Culture and Liberal Arts, Natural Sciences, Engineering, Technology and Medicine and Life Sciences.

Article 4

ASEAN will look into possibility of providing opportunities to Hungarian students and professors to undertake Short Term Study and Research Programmes at the universities and institutions of higher education in ASEAN region especially in the fields of Computer Science, Business and Economics, Engineering, Technology and Natural Sciences.

Article 5

The Parties will carry out necessary steps to implement this Cooperation Agreement, in particular the number and details of scholarships programme through separate implementation arrangements to be agreed upon by the Parties through diplomatic channels.

Article 6

For the purpose of this Cooperation Agreement, the Parties will assign the ASEAN Secretariat and the Ministry of Human Capacities of Hungary to be the Focal Points to facilitate and coordinate the implementation of this Cooperation Agreement.

Article 7

1. The Parties agree that the implementation of this Cooperation Agreement shall be in accordance with the laws and other regulations of the respective Parties.
2. Commitments originating from the membership of Hungary in the European Union are not affected by this Cooperation Agreement. As a consequence of this, provisions of this Cooperation Agreement shall not be interpreted in a way that it would annul, amend or have any other effect on the commitments of Hungary originating especially from the treaties forming the basis of the European Union, as well as those commitments originating from the primary and secondary legislation of the European Union.

Article 8

The Parties may revise, amend or modify all or part of this Cooperation Agreement, subject to the Parties' mutual consent in writing. Such revision, amendment or modification, will become effective on the date as determined by the Parties, and will not have retrospective effect.

Article 9

Any dispute or differences arising out of the interpretation/ implementation/ application of the provisions of this Cooperation Agreement shall be settled by the Parties through discussion and negotiation.

Article 10

1. This Cooperation Agreement shall be subject to signature by the Parties and shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after Hungary has notified the Secretary-General of ASEAN through diplomatic channels of the completion of her internal procedures required for the entry into force of this Cooperation Agreement. This Cooperation Agreement shall remain in force for a period of 3 years.

2. Notwithstanding Paragraph 1 of this Article, either Party may terminate this Cooperation Agreement at any time by giving the other Party the advance written notice at least 3 month prior to the date of its termination.

3. The termination or expiration of this Cooperation Agreement will not affect the implementation of on-going activities which have been agreed upon prior to the date of the termination of this Cooperation Agreement.

DONE at Jakarta, this 10.07.2017, in two original copies, in the English and the Hungarian language, all texts being equally authentic. In the event of divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.