

AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION

on

**Joint actions in the areas of migrant health, healthcare in detention,
integration/ exclusion and other issues**

BETWEEN

**The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) Delegation in Athens, Greece
and
the Department of Public Health Policy of the University of West Attica, Greece**

In Athens today, between:

A) The **International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) Delegation in Athens**, located at 25-29 Panepistimiou Street, 10564, Athens, Greece, holder of Greek Tax Registration Number (ΑΦΜ) 997286070, Α' Athens Tax Office (ΔΟΥ Α' Αθηνών), and legally represented for the signature of the present AoC by Mrs Marie Dubeau,, hereinafter referred to as "ICRC Delegation in Athens".

B) The **Department of Public Health Policy** of the School of Public Health of the University of West Attica, located at the Athens Campus, 196 Alexandras Avenue, 11521, Athens, Greece and legally represented for the signature of the present AoC by its Head, Professor. Nair-Tonia Vassilakou, hereinafter referred to as "DPHP/UNIWA".

The following were agreed and mutually accepted:

I. Introduction

"The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) is a neutral, independent, humanitarian organization whose mandate is to protect and assist victims of armed conflict and other situation of violence. Its mandate stems from the Geneva Conventions of 1949, their additional protocols of 1977 and the Statutes of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement."

Contemporary requirements for research and innovation favour and encourage broader collaborations, both national and international, in order to achieve the desired synergies and maximize research results. The joint undertaking of research initiatives can have positive results and development opportunities for the benefit of the collaborating Parties, through the better utilization of their potential and the optimal use of their resources and expertise.



II. Scope

The purpose of this Agreement of Cooperation is to undertake and promote joint actions of the two Parties, such as research, publications, development and promotion of research results and scientific products, organization of scientific workshops and conferences, training of researchers and young scientists, use of knowledge and experience and general development through joint collaborations of interest including in the areas of **migration, healthcare in detention, migrant and refugee health, gender, unaccompanied minors, integration/exclusion and other issues**. The relevant initiatives will contribute to the initiation and consolidation of the cooperation between the **International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) Delegation in Athens** and the **Department of Public Health Policy**, but also to launching the development of joint actions, as defined below.

III. Actions

The cooperation actions that can be undertaken by both Parties indicatively include:

1. Cooperation of scientific personnel of the two Parties for research, education, publication in areas of common interest in general.
2. Support for the preparation and submission of proposals at national and transnational level and development of joint research programs in areas of mutual interest including **migration, healthcare in detention, migrant and refugee health, gender, unaccompanied minors, integration/ exclusion** and other issues with the aim of promoting science and research.
3. The organization of joint educational activities, scientific events, conferences, meetings and workshops, summer schools, online events, seminars, as well as the development of information and training actions to promote the results of scientific research, actions and initiatives on issues of common interest.
4. The development of databases and information in areas of common interest.
5. The joint preparation and publication of scientific work such as articles, chapters, collective volumes, monographs, reports, conference proceedings and others on issues of common interest. Each Party undertakes not to disclose to the public or any third party the content of information exchanged in confidence under this Agreement without prior written consent of the other Party, unless this information is already in the public domain. The Parties shall mutually agree on any public communications regarding their joint initiatives to avoid any interference with their respective mandates and operations. The ICRC delegation in Athens might have to share this AoC with external parties such as donors or auditors.
6. The development of cooperation in any other areas of common interest of both Parties and the promotion of issues and actions of both Parties and dissemination through their websites respectively.
7. The development of cooperation on the above issues between the Laboratories and their Units of the DPHP, and the ICRC Delegation in Athens.



For the implementation of specific actions deriving from the above indicative areas and if a respective obligation is foreseen by the current legislation, the contracting entities will sign more specific agreements, in accordance with the terms and the procedure defined by law.

The parties agree that nothing in this Agreement shall affect the ability of the ICRC to carry out its humanitarian activities in a neutral, independent and impartial manner.

The signing of this Agreement of Cooperation does not imply any kind of financial obligation or commitment between the two Parties.

IV. Duration

The validity of this Agreement of Cooperation is initially set until the end of the academic year 2023-2024 (30th September 2024) from the date of its signing. At the end of the period, the two Parties shall evaluate their cooperation and decide on its renewal or not. This Agreement is renewed by written agreement of the two Parties.

The cooperation can be terminated before the completion of the above duration, unilaterally and for any reason, important or not, with a written notification at least three months in advance from one party to the other.

In case of Force Majeure (caused by conditions beyond its control including, but not limited to natural disasters, Governmental restrictions - including the denial or cancellation of any import or other necessary license, and/or any other cause beyond the reasonable control) or such as serious security problem for the ICRC staff, the ICRC delegation in Athens retains the right to terminate this AoC or any project or delay its commitment or its extension of any project.


V. Intellectual property

The signing of this Agreement will not be considered as granting to anybody any rights or licences to any intellectual property right of the other Party. Each Party recognizes the intellectual property rights of the other Party, which it must protect and respect.

No Party will use the name, emblem, or logo of the other Party, or any abbreviation thereof, without the prior written approval of the other Party.

VI. Protection of personal data

The Parties shall process information containing personal data in accordance with national legislation on personal data and, in accordance with the ICRC Rules on Personal Data Protection.



VII. Contact Persons

In the context of cooperation each Party will appoint a co-ordinator of the cooperation as principal contact point and his/her alternate:

**Co-ordinator of the cooperation for
International Committee of the Red Cross
(ICRC) Delegation in Athens, Greece**
Anastasia Papachristou, MD, Detention Doctor

**Co-ordinator of the cooperation for
the Department of Public Health Policy of
the University of West Attica, Greece**
Theodoros Fouskas, PhD, Assistant Professor

VII. Confidentiality

Parties must maintain confidentiality of any information, data or information that comes to their knowledge during the effect of the Agreement of Cooperation.

The signing of this Agreement of Cooperation does not imply any kind of financial obligation or commitment between the two Parties.

This Agreement of Cooperation is signed by the legal representatives of the two Parties in two (2) identical originals.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have offered their signatures:

**For
International Committee of the Red Cross
(ICRC) Delegation in Athens, Greece**

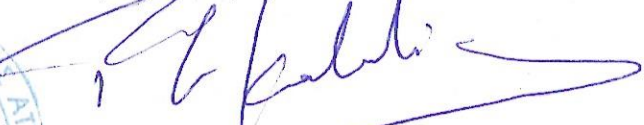
**For
the Department of Public Health Policy of the
University of West Attica, Greece**

Head of Delegation in Greece

Rector, University of West Attica



Marie Dubeau



Panagiotis Kaldis

Date: 19.05.2023

Date: 20.09.2023



The Head of the Department



Nair-Tonia Vassilakou
Professor

Date: 20.09.2023