



**AGREEMENT
on scientific and educational cooperation between
NPJSC “Al-Farabi Kazakh National University”
and
“Jerdin Dostary” Public Association**

Almaty

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1. General Provisions

1.1. This Agreement is concluded between Al-Farabi Kazakh National University (hereinafter referred to as KazNU), represented by Member of the Board – Vice-Rector for Academic Affairs Alina Kulbaevna Galeeva, acting on the basis of power of attorney No. 28 dated June 11, 2025, on the one hand, and the Public Association “Jerdin Dostary”, represented by Director Aizhan Amangeldinovna Skakova, acting on the basis of the Charter, on the other hand, hereinafter jointly referred to as the “Parties”.

1.2. The Parties, recognizing the importance of combining scientific and public potential in addressing the tasks of sustainable development, environmental protection, climate change adaptation, the transfer of environmentally safe technologies, and the provision of quality education; facilitating scientific research in the field of ecology and environmental protection; fostering environmental culture and ethics; preserving historical and cultural heritage; organizing and conducting specialized seminars, conferences, cultural and public events; expanding and strengthening international cooperation, as well as pursuing other objectives aimed at environmental protection, hereby conclude this Agreement with the purpose of organizing and implementing joint activities in the fields of science, education, and ecology.

2. Main Areas of Cooperation

2.1. Joint research and applied projects in ecology and sustainable development (Contribution to SDG 6 – Clean Water and Sanitation, SDG 13 – Climate Action, SDG 15 – Life on Land):

- Assessment of the state of the environment in natural and urbanized areas, including water and land ecosystems;
- Analysis of anthropogenic impacts of industrial and agricultural activities on public health and the biosphere;

- Development of recommendations for biodiversity conservation, rational use of natural resources, and restoration of disturbed ecosystems.

2.2. Partnership in environmental initiatives and public ecological monitoring (Contribution to SDG 11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities, SDG 13 – Climate Action, SDG 17 – Partnerships for the Goals)

- Joint participation in national and regional environmental programs on climate adaptation and urban greening;
- Organization of public hearings, forums, and campaigns aimed at promoting environmental responsibility among businesses and citizens;
- Development of proposals to improve environmental legislation and implement ESG principles;
- Support of local communities in implementing programs to reduce air, soil, and water pollution;
- Expansion of partnerships between science, business, and civil society to promote sustainable solutions and environmental technologies.

2.3. Environmental education and public awareness (Contribution to SDG 4 – Quality Education, SDG 13 – Climate Action, SDG 17 – Partnerships for the Goals)

- Organization of professional development programs, public courses, and online training in ecology, sustainable development, and climate adaptation;
- Holding exhibitions, festivals, awareness campaigns, and contests among students and pupils;
- Preparation and publication of educational, methodological, and popular science materials, video courses, manuals, and publications;
- Engagement of public organizations, schools, universities, and the media in promoting environmental culture and awareness;
- Integration of environmental education principles at all levels of learning to foster environmental consciousness.

2.4. Promotion of sustainable consumption and ecological behavior (Contribution to SDG 11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities, SDG 15 – Life on Land, SDG 17 – Partnerships for the Goals)

- Support of initiatives for waste reduction, separate waste collection, and transition to “green office” practices;
- Organization of actions for ecosystem restoration, tree planting, and cleaning of rivers, lakes, and urban areas;
- Development of volunteer and student environmental movements, clubs, and laboratories;
- Promotion of sustainable lifestyles through media, social networks, and public events.

2.5. Education and enlightenment

- Joint development and implementation of courses, lectures, and trainings on environmental ethics, sustainable development, and human rights;

- Involvement of students and teachers in environmental literacy and capacity-building programs.

2.6. Research activities

- Conduct of joint research on environmental protection, ecology, and sustainable development issues;
- Support projects addressing urgent environmental challenges;
- Consolidation and implementation of best practices in nature protection.

2.7. Environmental policy and legal advocacy

- Development of proposals to improve environmental legislation;
- Organization of round tables and expert discussions with participation of students, faculty, and association representatives;
- Assistance in protecting citizens' rights in the fields of ecology and public health.

2.8. International cooperation

- Participation in international projects, forums, and conferences;
- Promotion of international environmental standards in Kazakhstan;
- Expansion of academic and professional ties with foreign organizations.

2.9. Cultural and public initiatives

Organization of joint environmental campaigns, exhibitions, festivals, and seminars;

- Support for the preservation of historical and cultural heritage;
- Formation of a positive public perception of environmental initiatives.

2.10. Student engagement and volunteerism

- Involvement of students in association projects;
- Creation of volunteer programs for environmental protection;
- Support of student initiatives in the field of ecology.

3. Procedure for implementing the Agreement

3.1. A Joint Working Group comprising representatives of both Parties shall be established to coordinate activities under this Agreement.

3.2. Activities shall be implemented on the basis of individual plans, programs, contracts, or agreements on project implementation signed within the framework of this Agreement.

3.3. The Parties shall ensure joint participation in grant, budgetary, and corporate programs, as well as in projects financed through mechanisms supporting scientific research and innovation, including funds allocated by natural resource users for R&D, as well as by international funds and organizations (UNDP, UNEP, UNESCO, GEF, etc.).

4. Financial terms

4.1. Joint projects may be financed:

- from funds allocated by natural resource users for the implementation of scientific and environmental projects;
- from budgetary, extrabudgetary, and corporate grants;
- from the Parties' own funds;

- with the involvement of international programs and partners in sustainable development.

5. Term and termination of the Agreement

5.1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of its signing and shall remain in force for 5 (five) years, with the possibility of extension by mutual agreement of the Parties.

5.2. Either Party shall have the right to terminate this Agreement by notifying the other Party at least 3 months in advance.

6. Final provisions

6.1. All amendments and additions to this Agreement shall be made in writing and signed by the authorized representatives of the Parties.

6.2. This Agreement is made in four copies in Russian and Kazakh, two copies for each Party, which are equally valid.

Signatures of the Parties:

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