

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION  
BETWEEN  
THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE OF THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND  
AND  
THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION OF THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND**



The Ministry of Education and Culture of the Republic of Finland and the Ministry of Education of the Kingdom of Thailand, hereinafter referred to individually as the “Participant” and collectively as the “Participants”;

**Recalling** the establishment of diplomatic relations between the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Thailand in 1954;

**Desiring** to enhance and strengthen friendly bilateral relations between the two countries in the field of education;

**Recognizing** the importance of education as a foundation to cultivate the concept of self-learning and lifelong learning in children; and acknowledging that cooperation in the field of basic education, vocational education, and lifelong learning would be mutually beneficial,

**Have reached the following understanding:**

Paragraph 1

OBJECTIVES

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as “MOU”) aims to promote and develop cooperation between the Participants in the field of education on the basis of mutual benefit.

Paragraph 2

FORMS OF COOPERATION

The forms of cooperation under this MOU may include but are not limited to:

1. Exchange of information on education curriculum design and development.
2. Promoting and supporting cooperation on developing literacy, academic skills, life skills, environmental studies, agricultural development, physical education, and lifelong learning.
3. Promoting and supporting cooperation on developing professional and working skills, as well as educational management skills, for teachers, directors, and educational personnel.

4. Exchange of information on evaluation and assessment systems.
5. Exchange of information on educational research on relevant issues, promote and support cooperation on joint research for the development of education quality.
6. Any other areas of cooperation as may be jointly decided upon by the Participants.

In order to achieve these goals and beyond, both Participants can organize international and specialized workshops, meeting, seminars and visits between Finland and Thailand to share educational experience and research results.

#### Paragraph 3

##### FIELDS OF COOPERATION

Fields of cooperation may include, but not limited to, the following priority areas:

1. preprimary, primary, and secondary education;
2. technical and vocational education and training;
3. non-formal education, informal education, and lifelong learning;
4. training for teachers and/or educational administrators in schools and vocational and technical training in schools and vocational and technical training institutions.

#### Paragraph 4

##### FUNDING

Each Participant will be responsible for financing its own activities under this MOU.

#### Paragraph 5

##### IMPLEMENTATION

The Participants encourage all actors in the field of education to implement the possibilities of common projects and activities under this MOU.

This MOU does not create any legally binding obligations upon the Participants and does not constitute a treaty under international law.

#### Paragraph 6

##### SETTLEMENT OF DIFFERENCES

Any difference that may arise between the Participants concerning the implementation of this MOU will be resolved amicably through consultations between the Participants.

Paragraph 7

DURATION, EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERMINATION

This MOU will come into effect on the date of signing by both Participants and will remain in effect until a new MOU may be signed or the present MOU will be otherwise terminated.

This MOU may be terminated at any time by either Participant giving a thirty (30) days' notice in writing of its intention to the other Participant through official channels. The termination of this MOU will not affect the implementation, where practicable, of ongoing activities/programs which have been decided upon prior the date of the termination of this MOU.

Signed in Bangkok on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2022 in duplicate in the English language.

For the Ministry of Education and Culture of  
the Republic of Finland



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