

## STUDENT EXCHANGE AGREEMENT

**between:**

Federal State Autonomous Educational Institution of Higher Education "National Research Tomsk State University", hereinafter referred to as TSU, represented by Rector Prof. Eduard V. GALAZHINSKIY, Tomsk State University, Lenin Avenue 36, 634050 Tomsk, Russia

**and**

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, hereinafter referred to as BGU, represented by Rector Prof. Zvi HACHOEN, 8410501, Beer Sheva, Israel

**regarding the following Diplomas:**

the Master's Diploma of BGU, and  
the Master's Diploma of TSU (specialization Mathematics) with a supplement, being a state diploma of the Russian Federation.

### **Preamble**

Within the framework of the cooperation agreement signed between TSU and BGU on «23» 03 2015, and taking into consideration the contacts between these two institutions in the fields of education and science, TSU and BGU, have agreed to specify the procedure for implementation of the Exchange Program "Functional Analysis".

The two institutions agree that the academic organization of the Exchange Program will be in accordance with their national laws and regulations.

Both Parties of this Agreement do not intend to make any profit from the educational process. The income of TSU and BGU obtained from applicants and students will be used to compensate the fees the students have paid under this Agreement and to contribute to the development of education as well.

### **Article 1. – The Purpose of the Agreement**

This Agreement provides for exchange opportunities for Master's students of TSU majoring in Mathematics who will study at BGU, specialization Mathematics, and students of BGU, majoring in Mathematics, who will study at TSU under the Master Program, respectively.

The Parties agree to recognize the credits awarded to students by the partner institution (according to Appendix 1).

### **Article 2. – Course of Study**

The Exchange Program provides for students who study in Master or PhD Programs at either of the universities. Both universities agree that the joint educational Program is held in accordance with the national laws and regulations of both countries and mutually recognized academic practices.

The students of TSU study at BGU for (a period) 5 months where they pursue the courses selected from the list given in Appendix 1. The language of instruction at BGU is English.

TSU receives the students of BGU for a period of 4 months to study the courses selected from the list given in Appendix 1. The language of instruction at TSU is Russian and/or English.

The minimum number of courses taken by the students of TSU at the host institution is 3. The minimum number of courses taken by the students of BGU at TSU is 3.

### **Article 3. – Academic record at the host institution**

Upon a successful completion of the course of study at the host institution a student receives an academic transcript of records from the host institution where the titles of the disciplines and the credits awarded to a student are given. The transcript of records is to be signed by a person authorized on behalf of the university and sealed with the University Seal.

### **Article 4. – Selection of Candidates**

Selection of candidates shall be held jointly by TSU and BGU in accordance with the rules and policies of the relevant institution. Selection of students at each university must be carried out dutifully so that the candidates will be able to successfully study at a foreign university.

To select the candidates for participation in the Program, a Joint Selection Committee will be appointed on a parity basis, and this Committee will consist of at least four members. Students will be selected based on the following criteria: academic results, language proficiency and the grades awarded for their final Bachelor or Specialist qualification work.

Coordinators of this Exchange Program undertake to inform the first-year Master students, bachelors and specialists about this Agreement using all available means (brochures, publication of information on websites, etc.).

### **Article 5. – Exams and Assessment**

Students comply with the training and exam procedures existing at the host institution. Both universities undertake to accept the assessment results obtained by students at home and host institutions. The evaluation scale of ECTS will be used for the unification of obtained grades.

If necessary, the reports on practical training may be presented in front of the Committee consisting of representatives of both partner institutions.

### **Article 6. – Number of Students**

For the 2015/2016 academic year, the minimum number of students enrolled in this Program from each Party is 1, the maximum number of students enrolled in this Program from each Party is 5. This number may be reviewed each year upon the request of either party and is to be confirmed in written form.

### **Article 7. – Visa and Medical Insurance**

Students coming to BGU are responsible for obtaining a student visa prior to their arrival from the Israeli embassy. They must also have medical insurance for the duration of their stay.

Students coming to TSU are responsible for obtaining a student visa prior to their arrival from the Russian embassy. They must also have medical insurance for the duration of their stay.

### **Article 8. – Funding of the Program**

The funding of the Program, including the terms of payment of students' tuition fees, transportation and accommodation expenses, medical insurance, assumes the home institution.

### **Article 9. – Social Adaptation**

Each institution will render assistance in social adaptation of partner university students, namely provide orientation and advise regarding accommodation and infrastructure, and assist in linguistic adaptation as well.

## Article 10. - Research and Teaching Staff Mobility

Partner universities undertake to encourage mutual visits for teaching and research staff undertaken for participation in academic process in the relevant subject areas and in academic research.

## Article 11. – General Assessment

Business trips for research and teaching staff aiming at on-going evaluation of the Exchange Program are encouraged. The annual report on the progress of the Program, the placement and future career of graduates is compiled.

## Article 12. - Coordinators for the Program

The following persons will be responsible for this Exchange Program:

- at TSU: Prof. Sergei Gu'lko;
- at BGU: Prof. Arkady Leiderman.

Each institution undertakes to inform the partner university should these change.

## Article 13. - Duration of Agreement

This Agreement is concluded for a period of five years and shall enter into force on 01/09/2015. The Appendix will be updated for the each next year.

Partner universities reserve the right to terminate this Agreement by mutual consent on condition that the students enrolled in the Exchange Program completed their studies.

For the failure or improper performance of duties under this Agreement, the Parties will be liable in accordance with the current laws of the Russian Federation and Israel.

All disputes and disagreements that may arise out of this Agreement or in connection therewith will be solved by negotiation between the Parties. If the Parties do not reach an agreement in accordance with this article, all disputes shall be referred to the court of appropriate jurisdiction.

The present Agreement has been drawn up in two hard copies in English and Russian, all copies share the equal legal force.

Beer Sheva,

Rector of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev,  
Professor Zvi MaCohen



Tomsk,

«23» 03 2015  
Rector of Tomsk State University,  
Professor Eduard Galazhinskiy



**Appendix 1**  
List of courses taught under the Exchange Program  
for 2015-2016 academic year

<b>TSU</b>			<b>BGU</b>	
<i>No</i>	<i>Title of the discipline</i>	<i>ECTS</i>	<i>Title of the discipline</i>	<i>ECTS</i>
1.	Topological spaces of functions	6	Basic Concepts in Topology and Geometry	6
2.	Problems of a classification of function spaces	6	Dimension Theory via Hilbert's 13 Problem	6
3.	The main classes of functional-analytic compacts	6	Topics in Geometric Topology	6
4.	Bases and frames in Hilbert spaces	6	Introduction to Real and Complex Manifolds	6
TOTAL		24	TOTAL	24

Beer Sheva, «\_\_\_» \_\_\_\_\_ 2015

Dean of the Faculty of Natural Sciences  
of Ben-Gurion University,  
Professor Jiwchar Ganor

Tomsk, «\_\_\_» \_\_\_\_\_ 2015

Vice-Rector for Academic Affairs of Tomsk  
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