

Cooperation Agreement
between
The Institute of Literature, Folklore and Art, University of Latvia
(Latvia)
and
The Under and Tuglas Literary Institute of the Estonian Academy of Sciences in Tallinn
(Estonia)

The Institute of Literature, Folklore and Art, University of Latvia, represented by Director Eva Eglāja-Kristšone, on the one hand, and the Under and Tuglas Literary Institute of the Estonian Academy of Sciences, represented by Director Kristi Viiding, on the other hand, both hereinafter referred to as 'Parties', have concluded the following cooperation agreement (hereinafter referred to as 'Agreement').

This Agreement is intended as a framework for cooperation and does not create legally binding financial obligations; specific activities will be governed by separate written arrangements.

1. Purpose of the Agreement

The purpose of this Agreement is to establish and develop academic cooperation in areas of mutual interest within Baltic studies, including history, book history, diaspora studies, the history of literature and art, the history of religion, and related fields. The Parties intend to engage with Baltic literature and culture as an interconnected space and to promote the historical, present, and future links between Latvia and Estonia within a united Europe as a shared task.

2. Areas of cooperation

The Parties have determined the following areas of joint activities:

- Developing and carrying out collaborative research projects;
- Creating exchange opportunities for the research staff;
- Organizing joint workshops, conferences and seminars and holding joint research dissemination events;
- Releasing joint publications and to support each other with publishing possibilities;
- Granting free access to libraries and archives of both institutions;
- Collaborating in the field of postdoctoral education;
- Exchanging expertise;
- Other activities as agreed by the Parties.
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3. Funds

The Agreement does not impose any financial obligations to the Partners.

Financial terms of any activity in the frame of this agreement shall be determined in separately concluded agreements on the basis of available financial resources.

The Parties may involve other organisations and funding sources to support cooperation.

4. Duration and termination

The Agreement enters into force from the date of signature by both Parties and remains in effect for five (5) years. The Agreement shall be renewed automatically for unlimited successive periods of one year if neither Party transmit a written notice of intention not to renew it no later than 60 calendar days prior to the expiry date.

It shall be automatically renewed for successive one-year terms unless either Party provides written notice of its intention not to renew at least sixty (60) calendar days prior to the expiry date.

Either Party may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving the other Party at least thirty (30) calendar days' written notice. Termination shall not affect activities already agreed in writing, unless the Parties decide otherwise.

5. Other conditions

The Parties may amend this Agreement only by written agreement signed by authorised representatives of both Parties.

The coordinators responsible for overseeing implementation of this Agreement shall be:

On behalf of the Institute of Literature, Folklore and Art, University of Latvia: Dr. Zita Kārkla.

On behalf of the Under and Tuglas Literary Institute of the Estonian Academy of Sciences: Dr Merlin Kirikal.

Intellectual property rights, publication arrangements, and authorship rules for any specific output shall be agreed in writing for each activity or project.

If the Parties exchange non-public information for the purpose of cooperation, they shall treat such information as confidential unless agreed otherwise in writing.

Any disagreements arising from the interpretation or implementation of this Agreement shall be resolved amicably through consultations between the Parties.

This Agreement is written in English in two originals, one for each Party.

6. Addresses and contact details of the Parties

For the purpose of written notices under this Agreement, the Parties shall use the following contact details:

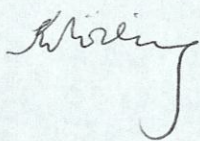
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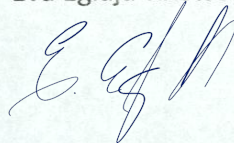
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