



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
NORTHWEST POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY,  
XI'AN, CHINA  
AND  
SLOVAK ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

The Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAS) and the Northwest Polytechnic University (NPU) agree to implement this memorandum of understanding.

This agreement is based on the principle of reciprocity and expresses the interest of both parties in exchanging scholars, students, academic information and materials in belief that the research and educational process at both institutions will be enhanced and that mutual understanding between their respective scholars and students will be increased by the establishment of such exchange programs.

1. SAS and NPU agree to encourage the development of the following programs based on their respective academic and educational needs:

- Exchange of faculty
- Exchange of graduate
- Joint supervision of Ph.D. students
- Cooperative researches
- Establishment of joint research laboratories
- Organization of joint research programs
- Exchange of academic information and materials
- Exchange of periodicals and other publications
- Organization of joint conferences
- Organization of other academic exchanges agreeable to both parties

2. The parties recognize that the implementation of any program will depend upon the academic interests and expertise of individual faculty members and upon the availability of financial resources. Accordingly, the implementation of each program based on this agreement shall be separately negotiated and determined by both parties.

3. The institutions acknowledge that all visits of staff and the admission of students will be subject to compliance with the entry and visa regulations of the People's Republic of China and Slovakia and the Institution's requirements in respect of admission and staff appointments.
4. This agreement is not intended to be a legally binding document. It is meant to describe the nature and to suggest the guidelines of the cooperation described above. Nothing therefore shall diminish the full autonomy of either institution, nor will any constraints be imposed by either upon the other in carrying out the agreement.
5. The agreement shall become effective on the day representatives of both universities affix their signatures and seals, and is subject to revision or modification by mutual agreement. It is also understood that either institution may terminate the agreement at any time, although it is assumed that such action would only be taken after mutual consultation in order to avoid any possible inconvenience to the other institution.

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