

# Agreement as Organizing Partners

between

The Grassroots Institute (Canada)

and

Ivano-Frakivsk National University of Oil and Gas (Ukraine)

To build the capacities of researchers, students, practitioners and scholars, The Grassroots Institute has conceptualized, evolved and developed a "Summer Field School & Workshop on Mountain Ecosystems and Resource Management" proposed to be organized from 6 to 15 July 2020 in *Ukraine's Carpathian Mountains*. This program will be conducted for international participants in the English language covering the contemporary current topics on the following broad areas: (1) Mountain Ecosystems; (2) Freshwater Ecosystems; (3) Forest Ecology; (4) Grassland Ecosystems; (5) Biodiversity Conservation; (6) Wildlife Management; (7) Ecotourism; (8) Park-People Interface; (9) Participatory Resource Management; (10) Watershed Management; (11) Sustainable Agriculture & Organic Farming; (12) Agro-Biodiversity; (13) Transhumance & Pastoralism; (14) Livestock Production; (15) Mountain Livelihoods; (16) Mountain-based Conventions; (17) SDGs & Mountains; (18) Contemporary Issues in Mountain Sustainability. A *detailed draft proposal document is appended as Annex-I to this Agreement*. Tentatively, a session plan is prepared along with the proposed names of Faculties (if possible, 1-2 faculty member will also join from your institution) and tentative topics under each broader subject (Annex-II).

In order to organize and conduct the above described Summer Field School & Workshop (hereinafter called as "program"), the organizing partners will dispose of the following functions and responsibilities:

The Grassroots Institute will:

1. design, develop and coordinate the program's technical aspects as well as its execution;
2. prepare a curriculum, coordinate lessons preparation, evolve methodologies, and perform other necessary technical preparations;
3. invite, fix and coordinate with potential lecturers and faculty members;
4. invite and develop varied types of partnership with institutions and organizations across the world;
5. identify, fix and coordinate with one organizing (logistic) partner for planned logistic arrangements, and avail the necessary funds to that particular partner for making all arrangements;
6. prepare, communicate and coordinate the program management advice to the organizing (logistic) partner;



7. identify, fix and coordinate with the field studies partners and plan out the field trips of the participants;
8. develop the contents of announcements and publicity materials, and release the announcements and publicity material for worldwide advertising of the program;
9. develop the content of and announce on a separate website (see Communication & Visibility plan appended in Annex-III);
10. coordinate, receive and handle the queries, applications and fees from the potential applicants;
11. with the help of all organizing partners, constitute an Organizing Committee (one member from each organizer organization/institution) having role of supervising the program;
12. contact, network and liaise with various potential sponsors, donors and supporters to raise financial resources through different means for subsisting the program costs and financing the scholarships;
13. develop, issue and delegate the content for media visibility over the pre-program, during the program and post-program phases;
14. deliver various other functions, not listed above, aimed at making the program successful with active participation and contribution of variety of partner institutions.

**Organizing Partner [Ivano-Frankivsk National University of Oil and Gas] will:**

1. identify, nominate and provide the name of one senior person who will supervise, coordinate and manage the activities related to organizing the program, and who may take part in the Organizing Committee (the member will contribute to successful organization of the program);
2. identify, depute and assign 1-2 competent experts/lecturers who may act as Associate Faculty member(s) on chosen part of the course content (accommodation & food will be borne by The Grassroots Institute at the training venue);
3. take part in improving the course contents, helping prepare lessons, helping improve methodologies, and strengthening the technical parts of the program;
4. contribute to facilitate the visa and travel process of participants and foreign lecturers (an official Invitation Letter will be required).
5. help develop the contents of announcements and publicity materials, and undertake intensive publicity of the program worldwide by using own website, email communications, newsletter or news, advertisement in journals or bulletins, information to partners or collaborators, messaging in email databases, and so on;
6. suggest and advise the content of a separate website proposed to be launched before formal announcement of the program (see Annex-III);
7. suggest and contact potential sponsors, donors and supporters to raise financial resources to sponsor the scholarships;
8. help develop the content for media visibility and liaison with various print and electronic media groups for appropriately publicizing the program locally, nationally and internationally;
9. deliver various other functions, not listed above, aiming at making the program successful with the active participation and contribution of the partner institution.

The benefits of participating as Organizing Partner will be gained in all possible forms except the direct financial gains; however, a direct financial contribution is also not sought. The Grassroots Institute will be liable for financial implications concerning this program. Yet, bearing the costs incurred in extending

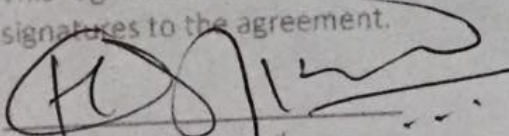


the cooperation and in-kind support by the Organizing Partner will be sincerely acknowledged. Among the tangible and intangible benefits to the Organizing Partner, there are some as follows:

1. Visibility and publicity of the institution/organization worldwide, as massive advertising, publicity, emailing, web posting, social media posting, and publishing will be done across the world in order to mobilize the potential participants for this program;
2. Potential students from different countries will come to know the Organizing Partner and may seek admission in an academic program of their choice;
3. Large numbers of world's universities, institutions, government organizations, donor agencies, UN agencies, corporations, NGOs, web portals, CSR organizations, individuals, scholars, researchers and students will get to know the Organizing Partner, and some of them may contact in near future for one purpose or the other;
4. The Organizing Partner may develop new relations and linkages with variety of institutions and organizations world over, especially with the funding organizations and CSR corporations, while approaching potential sponsors and supporters of scholarships for this program;
5. The Organizing Partner will also get experience in organizing a summer school program and can organize a similar one in the near future on chosen subject;
6. There may be many other unseen and unconceived benefits that the Organizing Partner would have in the near future;
7. Academic, research, teaching and training partnerships will strengthen between The Grassroots Institute and the Organizing Partner and between the Organizing Partner and other partners of this initiative;
8. Exchange and cooperation may be pursued in future between the partners related to joint research funding, conference or colloquium;
9. The existing students and teachers of the Organizing Partner institution will be exposed to innovative program, learning resources (all teaching resources will be accessible openly), and the English language.

This agreement shall be in force from the date of the last signing till the end of July 2020, and is subject to revision or modification by mutual agreement. It is also understood that this agreement may serve as the basis for specific agreements to be developed at a later date. It is further understood that either of the two institutions may terminate the agreement at any time, although such action will only be taken after mutual consultation in order to avoid any possible inconvenience to either party.

This agreement is effective when the representatives from each institution have affixed their signatures to the agreement.

  
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