

**AGREEMENT OF SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION  
BETWEEN  
THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SCIENCE (MES) IN VILNIUS  
AND  
THE NATIONAL SCIENCE COUNCIL (NSC) IN TAIPEI**

The Ministry of Education and Science in Vilnius and the National Science Council in Taipei with a view to promoting scientific cooperation and further strengthening the close and friendly relations between the two countries, have agreed as follows:

1. Meetings at the ministerial level of the two parties shall take place at either side periodically as mutually agreed. This periodically meeting serves primarily to establish the bilateral cooperation projects, symposia, workshops and exhibitions. It also serves to set up mutual promotion programs for young scientists.
2. Details regarding joint research projects, especially their financial distribution and the share of their results shall be discussed and decided upon on individual basis. To enhance cooperation, both parties shall exchange information relevant to their research programs at the national level.
3. Both parties shall promote the exchange of scientists. The sending party shall nominate candidates for the exchange of visits to the receiving party. The duration of visits shall be determined by mutual agreement between the two parties from case to case.
4. For the exchange of scientists, the sending party shall pay the costs for international transportation, the receiving party shall provide living expenses. The receiving party shall also provide support for research-related domestic travels within the receiving country, as well as for medical insurance according to its valid internal regulations in case of sudden illness or injury.

5. This agreement shall come into force upon signature. It shall remain to be valid until either party notifies the other of its intention to terminate the agreement, in case of which any existing exchange activity shall be brought to an orderly conclusion. Such a notification shall be made at least six months in advance of the termination of the agreement.

Done in Taipei on February 12, 1999 in two original copies in the English language, both texts being equally valid and authoritative.

For the Ministry of Education and Science  
Minister  
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For the National Science Council  
Chairman  
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