





## **AGREEMENT**

### **on cooperation between the Network of Universities from the Capitals of Europe (UNICA) and All-Russia Non-Government Organization "The Russian Rectors' Union" (RRU)**

Based upon understanding of the priority role of Higher Education Institutions in global processes of forming knowledge-based world economy and society; the fundamental principle of university education – studies, science and enlightenment, and its prospective direction – innovative activity; the importance of consolidated efforts of international rectors' community; the development of cooperation of civil society's institutes, the Network of Universities from the Capitals of Europe and the Russian Rectors' Union at their high meeting, held November 10, 2007 in the capital city of Russian Federation, Moscow, at the venue of the Moscow State Lomonosov University, have reached the mutual consent and express their readiness to develop cooperation along the following lines:

1. Forming of global information and telecommunication scientific-educational milieu and applying its potential to creation of new approaches of knowledge propagation;
2. Realizing the teaching and scientific research unity principle by priority development of fundamental scientific investigations in higher education institutions;
3. Developing of university liberties, moral and intellectual independence in the field of scientific research, education and enlightenment;

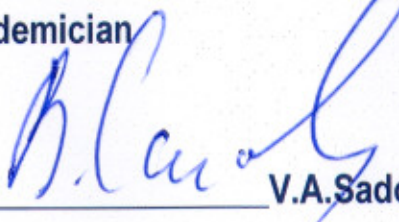
4. Applying the Bologna Declaration provisions, adapted to national educational systems;

5. Stimulating the scientific and educational exchange of students, post-graduates and professors as an effective way to transfer and extend knowledge;

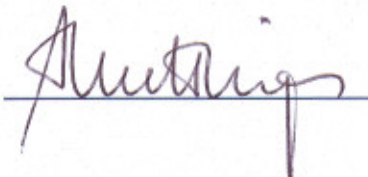
6. Forming by enlightenment the elevated fundamentals of moral and humanism, inter-confessional and inter-racial tolerance among youth and within society as a whole.

The Parties make it their noble aim to preserve and develop education, science and enlightenment, as traditional high values of Society and Individual, and are ready to give every conceivable assistance in reaching the declared aims.

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