



PROJECT AFGHANISTAN I.T.W.
Identity Training Work
MAE L. 49/87

Memorandum of Understanding

Preface:

This Memorandum of Understanding is based on the transparency, trustworthiness and respect on the parties' internal affairs of the involved parties that will work in a mutual cooperative environment. The participants agree to abide by the conditions mentioned within this contract.

This agreement becomes part of the project named "AFGHANISTAN ITW (MAE L. 49/87). Decentralized cooperation Project for the empowerment of women and children's life conditions. Identity, Training Work", managed by the Istituto per la Cooperazione allo Sviluppo (ICS) and financed by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

This Memorandum is the follow up of the Agreement between ICS and the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Italy (registration of the State Auditors' Department n. Reg. 13, Fog. n. 92 22/12/2006) and the Agreement between ICS and HAWCA and must act in accordance to the rules of both agreements.

The Ministry of Women Affairs is also a partner in this project as coordinating and facilitating institution for women participation as government representative.

This Memorandum of Understanding is seeking further partnership on the above mentioned project which will demonstrate the assigned responsibilities of the following partners:

- ICS – Istituto per la Cooperazione allo Sviluppo, as leading agency of the project
- HAWCA a national NGO (register no 244, 2005 with Ministry of Economy) as implementing partner on the following objectives.
- Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and UTL in Kabul, as fund provider and guarantors
- Embassy of Italy in Kabul, as guarantors
- MoWA, Ministry of Women's Affair, as local partner

Article 1

Project objectives:

To help the process of democratization of Afghanistan through the process of empowerment of the women.

The project will deliver support on two sections:

1. Co-Financing of Safe House for Women at Risk (this section of the project is not included in this agreement)
2. Establishment of a public Culture Centre: a building is required for carrying out the cultural activities and at the end of this project the building will be handed for HAWCA empowerment as part of Afghan civil society

Article 2

The activities at the Culture Centre are as follows:

- Establishment of a computer education centre for the female students and other beneficiaries.
- Establishment of a rich library with different category of books.





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- Providing a dialog environment for the students and other beneficiaries to interact with the people, experts and analysts.
- Building up the link between the social societies that work for women and the female students and other beneficiaries.
- Establishment of an English language course for some beneficiaries.
- Creating appropriate opportunities for female students of Art faculty to introduce their works and culture activities at the Centre and to welcome all arts exhibition.

Article 3

The Culture Centre seeks to facilitating the women's access to the culture's opportunities and enhancing their capabilities and expertise at the culture's arena. This Centre will further create a safe dialog room for the female students and other beneficiaries to freely express their opinions.

Article 4

The duration of this project is for two years starting in January 2007 and would end up in December 2008.

Article 5

The participants need to work closely with the following representatives to coordinate their activities at the Centre:

- Representative of the Ministry for Women's Affairs
- Representative of the Kabul University's Women's Council
- Representative of the HAWCA.

Article 6

ICS and the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs in coordination with the Embassy of Italy in Kabul and the UTL will represent the donor of this project.

Article 7

ICS, the Embassy of Italy in Kabul and the UTL will facilitate the coordination and will have its evaluation and supervision team on correct implementation of the project.

Article 8

ICS, the MoWA, the Embassy of Italy in Kabul and the UTL support and control the project. Representatives from this agencies can promote meetings with HAWCA to encourage a profitable development of the activities and protect the social criteria they agreed in the above-mentioned ICS-MAE agreement for a period of a least one year after the end of the project.

Article 9

The coordination and operational committee is responsible for the maintenance of the building until the end of the project. After its end, HAWCA will carry out the management of the Cultural Centre.

Article 10

In accordance with Non governmental and non profitable organization prosperities law made by Ministry of Economic of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, on dissolution of HAWCA the building and all the equipments of the centre will be handed over to the Ministry of Women's Affairs.





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Article 11

On dissolution of HAWCA, the Ministry of Women's Affairs will appoint another afghan NGO as new manager of the cultural centre. This NGO must work by statute in the social sector and for the afghan population, especially for afghan women. The NGO must demonstrate to work in the social field and have carried out social projects for afghan population (and in particular for women) since, at least, the last three years.

Article 12

This contract is valid after agreement of all signed parties and can be changed only in approval and agreement of the signed parties and the Planning and Monitoring Committee of the project.
All legal controversies will be held by the competent Afghan Authority.

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Representative of ICS

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Representative of HAWCA

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Representative of Italian UTL (MAE)

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Representative of MoWA

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Place: Kabul

Date: 26/01/09

