



Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)

for founding the

"<u>Kazakh-G</u>erman Institute for the Protection of <u>E</u>cosystems and <u>B</u>iodiversity"

KaGEB

between the project partners

Kazakh **N**ational **A**grarian Research **U**niversity (**KazNARU**), 8, Abay av., 050010 Almaty, Republic Kazakhstan

and

NETwork for **S**ystem **C**ompetence and **I**nnovation (**NETSCI**) GmbH, Fritz-Schubert-Str. 40, D-02906 Niesky, Bundesrepublik Deutschland

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"Nachhaltiges RegionALMAnagement und Wertschöpfung zum Erhalt alter Apfelsorten in Kasachstan und Kirgistan "ALMA""









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The Central Asian region has a unique diversity of fauna and flora. Preserving this wealth of ecosystems and biodiversity for future generations requires increased national and international efforts. If this does not succeed, the biodiversity integrity will be exceeded in the near future and the rate of species extinction will increase exponentially.

The signatories of this MoU aim to make contributions to research, practice and society through the development of innovative projects that can contribute to reducing ecosystem and biodiversity loss in the Republic of Kazakhstan and Central Asian region. The necessary international transfer of knowledge is substantiated by a cooperative relationship between Kazakhstan and Germany. In order to give the planned joint activities a formal working basis and visible charisma, the signatories of this MoU decide to establish a Kazakhstan-German Institute for the Protection of Ecosystems and Biodiversity in the Republic of Kazakhstan and Central Asian region. The starting point of the joint institute work is based on the project "Nachhaltiges RegionALMAnagement und Wertschöpfung zum Erhalt alter Apfelsorten in Kasachstan und Kirgistan "ALMA" which is funded by the German Federal Foundation for the Environment. In this context, measures for regional value creation to protect ecosystems and biodiversity, qualification measures for students and young scientists as well as communication concepts for society, politics, business and administration are developed.

KaGEB will be founded at **KazNARU**, 8, Abay av., 050010 Almaty, Republic Kazakhstan. Kazakh and German experts will work together in the cooperation network to develop the future structure of the institute and the institute's goals. The institute is open to the further development of international and interdisciplinary cooperation and partnerships

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