

**(Draft) Protocol of Intent for Cooperation
between
The Institute of the Lithuanian Language (Lithuania)
and
The International Mother Language Institute (Bangladesh)**

The Institute of the Lithuanian Language (address: P. Vileišio str. 5, LT-10308 Vilnius, Lithuania), represented by Director, Prof. Elena Jolanta Zabarskaitė,
and

The International Mother Language Institute (1/Ka, Segunbagicha, Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh) represented by the Director General (Prof. Dr. Jinnat Imtiaz Ali) (hereinafter referred to as the “Parties”) hereby agree to cooperate in various areas of research, and organization and cooperation of joint projects and events.

**ARTICLE 1
GENERAL OBJECTIVE**

This protocol aims to promote and strengthen exchanges and cooperation in the fields of language, education and research, and to further develop intellectual exchange and research cooperation between the parties. Cooperative activities under this protocol shall be on a reciprocal basis and of mutual benefit in accordance with the laws and regulations of each country.

**ARTICLE 2
AREAS OF COOPERATION**

The parties shall encourage and facilitate cooperation on the following areas:

- (1) The exchange of experience and cooperation in the fields of language research, education and higher education;
- (2) The exchange of doctoral students;
- (3) The exchange of publications;
- (4) Parties shall jointly arrange research projects of language related aspects. The arrangement and the terms of the research shall be determined in accordance with the relevant regulations of each country;
- (5) Parties shall jointly arrange conferences on language related aspects;
- (6) Parties shall jointly arrange cultural programs highlighting their traditional and linguistic heritage;
- (7) The cooperation in the area of language learning and teaching;
- (8) Other areas and study programs as mutually agreed upon by the parties.

ARTICLE 3
IMPLEMENTATION AND NEGOTIATION

The parties share the responsibilities of enforcing this Protocol. Both parties are willing to maintain communication in terms of setting up co-ordination groups. Detailed arrangements are to be agreed upon through negotiation between the parties.

ARTICLE 4
SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Any differences or disputes arising out of the interpretation of the provisions of this Protocol shall be settled amicably by consultation or negotiation between the parties.

ARTICLE 5
ENTRY INTO FORCE, TERMINATION AND AMENDMENT

This Protocol shall enter into force on the date of signing and shall remain in force for a period of five years. Thereafter, it shall be automatically extended for a successive period of five years each, unless either party notifies the other of its intention to terminate this Protocol by a notice in writing, through diplomatic channels, at least six months prior to the date of the intended termination. The termination of this Protocol shall be without prejudice to the rights and obligations of the parties under this Protocol prior to the date of termination.

Each party may request a revision of or an amendment to this Protocol by notifying the other party in writing through diplomatic channels three months in advance. Any revision or amendment agreed upon by the parties shall be done in writing and shall form part of this Protocol. Such revision or amendment shall come into effect on such date as may be determined by both parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned being duly authorized hereof by their respective Governments, have signed this Protocol.

Done in _____ on the ____ in the year _____ in two originals in English.

For The Institute Of The
Lithuanian Language (Lithuania)

For The International Mother
Language Institute (Bangladesh)