

THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF
CHINA
ON
ESTABLISHMENT OF CHINA-ISRAEL JOINT
COMMITTEE ON INNOVATION COOPERATION

The Government of the State of Israel and the Government of the People's Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as the "Parties"),

Pursuant to the important consensus between the heads of state of the two countries on innovating cooperation modalities and boosting innovation collaboration;

Considering the *Agreement between the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the State of Israel on Scientific and Technological Cooperation* signed in Jerusalem on February 14th 1993, the mechanism of collaboration between the Chinese Ministry of Science and Technology(MOST) and the Israeli Ministry of Science, Technology and Space, and the Joint Fund for Scientific and Strategic Research and Development set up in 1995 for the purpose of facilitating and supporting cooperative R&D by research institutes of the two countries;

Recalling the *Agreement between the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the State of Israel on Cooperation in the Field of Health and Medical Science*, signed in Beijing on March 5th 1993;

Recalling *The Cultural Agreement between the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the State of Israel* concluded in Beijing on May 20th 1993, which promotes exchanges and cooperation in art, antique, film, TV, literature and education;

Considering the *Agreement between the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the State of Israel on Cooperation in Technology Innovation for Industrial Research and Development* concluded in Tel Aviv on May 20th 2010 and the mechanism of cooperation between MOST and the Israeli Ministry of Economy that enhances and funds industrial R&D and innovation conducted by enterprises of the two countries.

Considering the *Agreement between the Ministry of Science and Technology of the People's Republic of China and the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the State of Israel on Cooperation in Innovation for Agricultural Research and Development* entered into in Beijing on May 8th 2013 and the mechanism that facilitates and funds joint R&D in agricultural science and technology;

Acknowledging the agreements on innovation cooperation signed by the Israeli Ministry of Economy respectively with Jiangsu, Shanghai, Zhejiang, Guangdong, Shenzhen and Shandong, and the special fund on innovation cooperation that facilitates and funds multiple forms of innovation collaboration, such as joint R&D by enterprises, joint innovation parks and incubators, and venture capital,

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

The Vice Premier-level China-Israel Joint Committee on Innovation Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as the Joint Committee) will be established.

ARTICLE II

The Joint Committee will be co-chaired, from the Chinese side - by Vice Premier responsible for science, technology and innovation, and from the Israeli side – by the Minister of Foreign Affairs. and the joint Committee will be composed of relevant high level officials.

ARTICLE III

The Joint Committee shall:

1. Coordinate the cooperation on research and innovation, education, health and culture between relevant ministries and local governments of the two countries;
2. Identify the cooperation priorities and major projects in the fields of research and innovation, education, health and culture;
3. Develop new models for collaboration and solutions for major problems arising from the above-mentioned collaborative activities;
4. Review and evaluate bilateral cooperation in the above-mentioned fields and formulate triennial action plans;
5. Undertake other activities conducive to bilateral innovation

collaboration deemed necessary by the Joint Committee.

ARTICLE IV

The Joint Committee shall meet every three years, alternatively in China and Israel.

ARTICLE V

Any dispute concerning the interpretation or implementation of this MOU shall be settled amicably through consultation between the Parties.

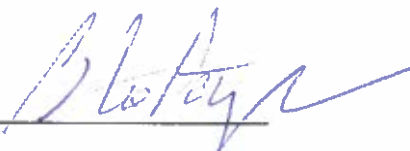
ARTICLE VI

This MOU shall come into effect from the date on which the Parties notify each other in writing through diplomatic channels on the completion of their respective legal procedures for the entry into force of this MOU, and shall remain in force for a period of five years.

This MOU may be amended by the mutual consent of the Parties.

All the amendments shall be an integral part of this MOU. This MOU shall be automatically renewed for another period of five years and shall thereafter be renewable accordingly, unless either party notifies the other in writing through diplomatic channels of its intention to terminate this MOU six months prior to the expiry of this MOU.

Done in duplicate in Jerusalem on May 19 2014, corresponding to the 19 day of Iyar 5774 of the Hebrew calendar, each in English, Chinese and Hebrew languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of any dispute concerning the interpretation of this MOU, the English version shall prevail.



For the Government of
the State of Israel

For the Government of
the People's Republic of China