



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Rotary International Districts 2420, 2430, 2440 (Türkiye)

And

Rotary International District 2485 (Albania-Kosova)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is entered into as of 20/02/2025, by and between Rotary International Districts 2420, 2430, 2440, Türkiye (hereinafter referred to as "Districts 2420, 2430, 2440") and Rotary International District 2485, Albania-Kosova (hereinafter referred to as "District 2485").

WHEREAS, Districts 2420, 2430, 2440 and District 2485 are enriched with a profound historical and cultural heritage, and share a legacy that fosters international understanding and collaboration;

WHEREAS, all parties are committed to Rotary's shared values of peace, unity, and the **advancement of Rotary's global image** through service, leadership, and partnership;

WHEREAS, Given Türkiye's position as a bridge between Europe and Asia and Albania-Kosova's role in the South Eastern Europe, this partnership offers a strategic opportunity to create cross-regional impact through joint Rotary initiatives.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereby agree to the following terms and conditions:

Article 1: Objectives of the MoU

1.1. This MoU aims to strengthen the relationship between Districts 2420, 2430, 2440 and District 2485 through collaboration, mutual support, and shared activities that are rooted in the rich historical and cultural heritage of both districts and in alignment with Rotary International's values and mission.

1.2. The MoU shall serve as a framework for joint projects, cultural exchanges, and cooperative efforts in areas such as community service, youth programs, vocational training, and the promotion of Rotary's values of peace and unity.

Article 2: Areas of Cooperation

2.1. **Joint Projects:** Both districts agree to identify and develop joint projects that address pressing community needs in three countries. Projects may include, but are not limited to, health, education, peacebuilding initiatives, economic development, environmental sustainability, leveraging the shared legacy of Rotarians from all districts to inspire action.

2.2. Cultural and Friendship Exchanges:

The districts will facilitate cultural and friendship exchange programs aimed at:

- Promoting cultural understanding and mutual respect.
- Friendship exchange programs for Rotarians.
- Celebrating and sharing the rich traditions, heritage, and historical connections of Türkiye, Albania, and Kosova.
- Providing opportunities for Rotarians, youth, and professionals to participate in cross-cultural experiences that strengthen Rotary's global network.

2.3. **Professional Growth:** Districts involved shall support professional development activities, including leadership training, seminars, workshops, and conferences, to enhance the skills and knowledge of their members, fostering Rotary's global image of unity and collaboration.

Districts will organize and participate in activities that promote professional growth, including:

- Leadership and peace development programs for current and future Rotary leaders.
- Vocational training initiatives to enhance technical skills.
- Conferences, seminars, and workshops on topics of mutual interest, nurturing knowledge sharing and capacity building and fostering Rotary's global image of unity and collaboration.

2.4. **Environmental Commitment:** The districts will engage in a tree-planting initiative as a symbol of long-term growth, and a shared vision for peace and unity, reinforcing their commitment to sustainability.

Article 3: Responsibilities of Each Party

3.1. Districts 2420, 2430, 2440:

- Appoint a liaison officer to facilitate communication and coordination of activities with District 2485.
- Support the implementation of joint projects and exchange programs, strengthening Rotary's global image through collaboration.
- Actively participate in agreed-upon activities.

3.2. District 2485:

- Appoint a liaison officer to facilitate communication and coordination of activities with Districts 2420, 2430, 2440.
- Support the implementation of joint projects and exchange programs, strengthening Rotary's global image through collaboration.
- Actively participate in agreed-upon activities.

Article 4: Duration and Termination

4.1. This MoU is valid for a period of five (5) years from the date of signing and may be renewed by mutual consent of both districts.

4.2. Either party may terminate this MoU by providing a 30-day written notice to the other party.

Article 5: Communication

5.1. Both districts commit to maintaining regular communication to discuss progress, evaluate joint activities, and explore new areas of collaboration, building upon their shared historical legacy and Rotary's values.

5.2. Official communication shall be conducted through the designated liaison officers of each district.

Article 6: Financial Arrangements

6.1. Each district shall bear its own costs related to activities under this MoU unless otherwise mutually agreed upon for specific joint projects or initiatives.

Article 7: Miscellaneous

7.1. This MoU does not create any legally binding obligations or liabilities between the parties.

7.2. Any modifications to this MoU shall be made in writing and signed by both parties.

Article 8: Signatories

This MoU is signed in two original copies, each having equal validity.

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