



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding ("Agreement") is entered into on **January 1st, 2017**, by and between the **Israel Chemical Society** ("ICS"), a registered nonprofit organization in Israel located at the Schulich Faculty of Chemistry, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Technion City, Haifa 3200003 and the **Gesellschaft Deutscher Chemiker** ("GDCh"), a registered charity in Germany, headquartered at Varrentrappstr. 40-42, 60486 Frankfurt am Main. ICS and GDCh are referred to collectively as "the Parties".

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, ICS and GDCh are both organizations which consist of members and which support chemistry and those working in related sciences on a global platform. Both organizations organize scientific conferences, publish peer reviewed materials and provide networking opportunities for those involved in scientific and, especially, chemistry-based innovation; and,

WHEREAS, ICS and GDCh share strategic interests in the areas of communicating the value of chemistry to the general public and the role chemistry plays in addressing global challenges, Education, Sustainable Development, and Ethics in Chemistry; and,

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to identify and build additional collaborative activities by entering into this Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, In continuation and recognition of the importance of cooperation between the German / Israeli chemical communities in common scientific, educational and public outreach projects, the Israel Chemical Society (ICS) and the Gesellschaft Deutscher Chemiker (GDCh) agree to enter a five-year collaboration alliance with a strategic focus on communicating the value of chemistry to the general public and the role chemistry plays in addressing global challenges, as well as to identify and support other mutually beneficial services to ICS and GDCh members.

Joint Activities

In furtherance of a productive relationship for German / Israeli chemistry, the ICS and GDCh agree to the following joint engagements and activities for the period of 2017 to 2022

- Development of an action plan for joint activities, in particular common symposia and exchange of young scientists;
- Promotion of existing and upcoming Israeli-German master studies and graduate schools;

- Promotion of career opportunities for chemists and chemical engineers in Israel and Germany;
- Establishment of links to **each** other's websites to help catalyze ICS and GDCh member research collaboration, co-authorship, funding proposal development, recognition, national meeting content provision, resources for outreach, educational exchange.
- Provision of ICS and GDCh conferences and short-course registrations at member or preferred rates;

ICS and GDCh intend to continue this cooperation in the years 2017 and following and will enter into corresponding negotiations in due time.

We agree to hold a signing ceremony of this collaboration alliance on the occasion of the 82nd ICS Annual Meeting, February 13 – 15, 2017 in Tel Aviv.

AGREED by the Parties through their authorized signatories:

For and on behalf of **The Gesellschaft Deutscher Chemiker (GDCh)**

For and on behalf of **The Israel Chemical Society (ICS)**

Thisbe K. Lindhorst, President

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