

**MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF SPORTS**

**BETWEEN**

**THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, CULTURE, SPORTS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
OF JAPAN**

**AND**

**THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE AND SPORT OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL**

The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan and the Ministry of Culture and Sport of the State of Israel (hereinafter referred to as “the Participants”), hereby express their interest and will in enhancing the existing cooperation and fostering the relations between Japan and the State of Israel in the field of sports.

1. On the basis of the foregoing, the Participants declare their intentions as follows:
  - a. To promote the exchange of information, scientific research results, technologies, expertise and know-how in the field of competitive sports, sport for all programs, para-sports, physical education, medicine for sports, anti-doping control, sports facilities, as well as the organization of mega sports events.
  - b. To promote mutual visits of experts, coaches and other professionals and to offer mutual assistance in the form of sending specialists, technicians and experts from one country to the other to support and train coaches and other professional, technical or administrative personnel in relevant areas.
  - c. To encourage the relevant bodies and competent authorities to exchange knowledge and information on the organization, development and marketing strategies of sport for all programs.
  - d. To exchange expertise in fostering and encouraging the participation of women in sports.

- e. To encourage the deepening of existing links and collaboration between sports organizations, clubs and federations from both countries with their counterparts.
  - f. To foster joint projects for the support and encouragement of sports for the disabled.
2. In order to assist with the implementation of this Memorandum, representatives of both Participants will meet alternately in Japan and Israel when the need arises, to facilitate and follow-up joint sports programmes.
  3. This Memorandum is not a legally binding instrument but a general framework for cooperation between the two countries in the field of sports, does not constitute an international treaty and neither includes nor imposes any international liabilities on the Participants.
  4. Both Participants will maintain the confidentiality of the information exchanged between them within the framework of this Memorandum. Each Participant will not transfer any such information to a third party without consent from the providing Participant.
  5. Regarding the exchange of sports delegations, the financial terms will be decided in every particular case through mutual consultations.
  6. Any matter arising out of the interpretation or implementation of this Memorandum will be settled amicably through mutual consultation between both Participants.
  7. This Memorandum will commence on the date of its signature. The cooperation under this Memorandum will continue for five years following its inception, and will extend automatically for subsequent periods of five years.

Cooperation under this Memorandum may be terminated at any time, provided either Participant submits a written notice six months in advance, informing the other Participant of its wish to terminate cooperation under this Memorandum.

Termination of cooperation under this Memorandum does not affect the projects and activities in operation at the time of termination.

Signed at Tokyo on 03 October 2017, in two original copies in English.

For the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan	For the Ministry of Culture and Sport of the State of Israel
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