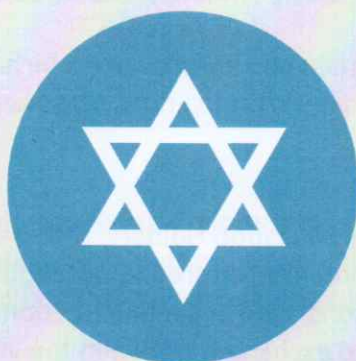


# 2ª Delegação ABMES Internacional



## ISRAEL EXPERIENCE

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#### Intentions

The Brazilian Association of Higher Education Holders, representing its associates and the Weizmann Institute of Science (hereafter referred to as "Signatories"), wish to consolidate the cultural and educational relations, with academic freedom from political interference, and to promote academic links and exchanges between the institutions, in the interests of the universities represented. Therefore, agree to the following proposals:

#### General provisions

This Memorandum is an intent agreement and does not create any legal obligations for either Signatories. It is not intended to define, recognize, deny or alter any of the rights of the entities.

**Both sides will not except any form of academic boycott in the mutual relations established in this document.**

#### Principles

The Signatories agree that the memorandum is interpreted and implemented in a manner consistent with the following principles:

- To work in a collaborative and respectful manner;
- To recognize the diversity of peoples, communities, language, culture and traditions, as well as the need to strengthen education;
- To recognize the importance of the engagement and contribution of all higher education providers;
- To recognize the values of science education in schools and teachers training in HEIs;
- To be responsible and transparent.

#### Article 1

##### Purpose

1.1 Under this memorandum the Signatories intend to promote the cooperation which will advance reciprocal exchange and collaboration in Science Teaching between Weizmann and ABMES associate institutions.



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**1.2. This memorandum will serve as the umbrella agreement under which all associate institutions of ABMES will be eligible to carry out activities in cooperation with Weizmann.**

**The interested institutions will have to advance their cooperation process individually. ABMES will support their cooperation activities.**

1.3 This memorandum is prefaced on increasing engagement between the Signatories on new pathways and avenues, drawing on both countries excellence in higher education and innovation.

1.4 This memorandum does not recognize diplomas in either country nor does it cover the processes of the granting of qualification. It does not establish precedence in respect of any other admission requirements of institutions such as eligibility for places.

1.5 The Signatories respect the principle of institutional autonomy in the higher education systems of both Israel and Brazil

## Article 2

### Fields of Cooperation

2.1 By mutual agreement, this collaboration could include:

- the exchange of information in the field of Science Teaching, which will include New Methodologies, Innovations, Learning Environments, Teacher Training, management of the center of education and etc.;
- joint participation in seminars, deploying and administration of pilot projects;
- support of partnerships between Weizmann and ABMES member institutions;
- support staff and student exchanges.

Other joint activities may be agreed directly between the Weizmann and ABMES associate institutions in accordance with the objectives of this Memorandum of Understanding.

## Article 3

### Implementation

3.1 To implement this agreement the Signatories may maintain a Joint Working Group. The Joint Working Group shall consider and recommend a program of activities for cooperation in accordance with this memorandum. Meetings of the Joint Working Group shall be held alternatively in Israel and Brazil as required.

3.2 Weizmann 's representative on the Working Group in Israel is Prof. Michal Neeman, Vice President.



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ABMES representative on the Working Group in Brazil is Prof. Celso Niskier, Vice-President of ABMES and Rector of UniCarioca.

**Article 4**

**Finance**

Each Signator is responsible for its costs related to its participation in this Memorandum of Understanding.

**Article 5**

**Duration**

This memorandum shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of signing. Amendments to the memorandum shall come into effect after the Signatories have agreed in writing.

Elaborated on 15 October, 2018, in Rehovot, in two copies.

For Weizmann Institute of Science



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