Memorandum of Understanding

between

The League of Arab States (hereinafter the LEAGUE)

and

Durham University (hereinafter DURHAM)

- 1. The LEAGUE and DURHAM recognize the mutual benefits and opportunities associated with cooperation and exchange. Both the LEAGUE and DURHAM wish to underline the importance of such cooperation and to pursue a more formal basis for cooperation and exchange in the future. While specific opportunities and programmes have yet to be determined, the LEAGUE and DURHAM both agree to work together to explore the beneficial opportunities of inter-institutional cooperation. Therefore, representatives of each institution have signed this document to memorialize and record their mutual desire to work together and pursue a cooperative relationship.
- 2. Initially, the LEAGUE and DURHAM, through the Durham Law School, intend to work together in the field of law related to the subject areas of the Centre for Criminal Law and Criminal Justice, as well as other research centres, institutes and research clusters in the Law School.
- 3. The LEAGUE and DURHAM express their desire to explore further areas of cooperation and exchange outside the remit of the Durham Law School.
- 4. The LEAGUE and DURHAM shall cooperate, by adopting initiatives to promote greater understanding of the principles of Islamic law, as one of the major recognized legal systems of the world.
- 5. The LEAGUE and DURHAM shall, to the fullest extent possible, arrange for supplying one another with legal materials of mutual interest.
- 6. The LEAGUE and DURHAM may agree, when required, to hold conferences seminars on issues of mutual interests.

- 7 The LEAGUE and DURHAM may agree, when required to develop training programmes for members of the Arab judiciary, police and other government institutions aimed at enhancing their legal related skills.
- 8 The LEAGUE and DURHAM may establish appropriate liaison arrangements as may be necessary to facilitate their effective co-operation.
- 9 The LEAGUE and DURHAM understand that all financial arrangements for funding the activities mentioned in this MoU will have to be negotiated and will depend on the availability of funds. Both institutions agree to cooperate in seeking external funding for activities of mutual interest.
- 10 This Agreement will take effect on the date of signature by the representatives of both institutions. It will be valid for four years in the first instance and may be renewed by mutual consent. The Agreement may be terminated by one party giving six months notice in writing to the other of its desire to terminate the agreement. In the event of such notice being given ail existing commitments shall be fulfilled.

The memorandum consists only of a declaration of intent for collaboration and exchange in teaching, consultancy, research and cultural exchange programmes in accordance with the terms detailed above.

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Signed, for the LEAGUE

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