

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
INTERNATIONAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION INSTITUTE
(IDI)**

Islamabad, Islamic Republic of Pakistan

AND

KARAMAY ARBITRATION COMMISSION (KAC)

Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, People's Republic of China

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is entered into on this 12 day
of June, 2026.

BY AND BETWEEN

International Dispute Resolution Institute (IDI), Islamabad, Pakistan, a leading
Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) institution dedicated to arbitration, mediation,
negotiation, dispute prevention, capacity building, legal research, and international
dispute resolution cooperation, represented by:

Mr. Khalid Taimoor Akram

Director / Board Member

International Dispute Resolution Institute (IDI)

(hereinafter referred to as "IDI")

AND Karamay Arbitration Commission (KAC), established in 1996 as the first
arbitration institution in the Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region approved by the
People's Government of Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, a public welfare
non-profit legal entity with independent institutional status and self-financing
operations, represented by:

Mr. Du Yaowei

Secretary General

Karamay Arbitration Commission (KAC)

(hereinafter referred to as "KAC")

IDI and KAC shall hereinafter collectively be referred to as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party."

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, KAC has, over nearly thirty years of operation, become a prominent regional arbitration center in Northern Xinjiang and plays an important role in resolving domestic and international commercial disputes relating to trade, construction, finance, real estate, intellectual property, PPP projects, cultural tourism, and foreign investment;

WHEREAS, KAC has established strategic cooperation with arbitration institutions across Central Asia and actively supports the Belt and Road Initiative by facilitating efficient dispute resolution mechanisms for international commerce;

WHEREAS, IDI is committed to promoting international standards of arbitration, mediation, and alternative dispute resolution through institutional development, professional training, dispute resolution services, research, and international cooperation;

WHEREAS, the Parties recognize the growing economic, commercial, and investment relations between China, Pakistan, Central Asia, and Belt and Road Initiative member countries and acknowledge the importance of efficient dispute resolution mechanisms for supporting sustainable economic development;

NOW THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this MOU is to establish a long-term strategic partnership between IDI and KAC for:

1. Promotion of international arbitration and mediation.
2. Development of alternative dispute resolution mechanisms.
3. Establishment of institutional cooperation between Pakistan and China.
4. Facilitation of cross-border dispute resolution.
5. Capacity building and professional development.
6. Promotion of legal certainty and investor confidence.
7. Supporting Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) projects and international commercial transactions.

ARTICLE 2

APPOINTMENT OF IDI AS REGIONAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION PARTNER

The Parties agree that:

1. IDI shall serve as a strategic partner and cooperation institution of KAC in Pakistan.
2. Subject to applicable laws and institutional rules, IDI may act as:
 - Mediation Centre;
 - Arbitration Support Centre;
 - Case Management Liaison Office;
 - Training and Capacity Building Partner;
 - Research and Development Partner.

3. The Parties may jointly administer mediation proceedings, arbitration referrals, and ADR programs involving parties from Pakistan, China, Central Asia, and other jurisdictions.

4. The Parties shall collaborate to facilitate dispute resolution services for international commercial disputes arising from trade, investment, infrastructure, energy, logistics, technology, construction, and Belt and Road Initiative projects.

ARTICLE 3

AREAS OF COOPERATION

The Parties shall cooperate in the following areas:

A. Arbitration

- Joint promotion of arbitration.
- Exchange of arbitration rules and best practices.
- Referral of suitable disputes.
- Appointment and exchange of arbitrators.
- Development of expedited arbitration mechanisms.
- Cooperation in enforcement-related matters.

B. Mediation

- Joint mediation programs.
- Cross-border commercial mediation.
- Mediation training and accreditation.
- Online dispute resolution mechanisms.
- Development of mediation protocols.

C. International Commercial Disputes

- China-Pakistan trade disputes.
- Central Asia related disputes.
- Foreign investment disputes.

- Construction and infrastructure disputes.
- Energy and natural resource disputes.
- Intellectual property disputes.
- Technology and digital commerce disputes.

D. Research and Publications

- Joint legal research.
- Policy papers. Arbitration journals.
- ADR publications.
- Case studies and legal reports.

E. Capacity Building

- Certification programs.
- Professional training courses.
- Arbitrator development programs.
- Mediator accreditation programs.
- Judicial and legal practitioner workshops.

F. Conferences and Forums

The Parties shall jointly organize:

- International arbitration conferences.
- ADR summits.
- China-Pakistan legal forums.
- Belt and Road legal cooperation forums.
- Academic seminars and workshops.

ARTICLE 4

EXCHANGE OF EXPERTS

The Parties may exchange:

- Arbitrators

- Mediators
- Legal experts
- Academics
- Researchers
- Trainers

The Parties may mutually recognize qualified arbitrators and mediators for inclusion in their respective panels where permitted by law and institutional regulations.

ARTICLE 5

JOINT PANEL OF ARBITRATORS AND MEDIATORS

The Parties may establish a Joint Panel comprising qualified:

- Arbitrators
- Mediators
- Legal experts
- Technical experts

to support international dispute resolution proceedings.

ARTICLE 6

TRAINING, CERTIFICATION AND ACCREDITATION

The Parties may jointly develop:

- Arbitration Certification Programs
- Mediation Accreditation Programs
- Professional Development Courses
- Continuing Legal Education Programs
- Executive Training Programs

Certificates may be jointly issued by both Parties.

ARTICLE 7

DIGITAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION

The Parties shall cooperate in developing:

- Online Arbitration Platforms
- Online Mediation Platforms
- Virtual Hearings
- AI-assisted ADR tools
- Digital Case Management Systems

for efficient cross-border dispute resolution.

ARTICLE 8

CONFIDENTIALITY

The Parties shall maintain strict confidentiality regarding:

- Case information
- Commercial information
- Trade secrets
- Personal data
- Institutional information

except where disclosure is required by law or authorized by the concerned parties.

ARTICLE 9

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

All jointly developed materials, publications, training content, and research outputs shall remain jointly owned unless otherwise agreed in writing.

ARTICLE 10

FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

1. This MOU does not create financial obligations.
2. Specific projects involving funding shall be governed by separate agreements.
3. Each Party shall bear its own operational costs unless otherwise agreed.

ARTICLE 11

COMPLIANCE

The Parties shall conduct all activities in accordance with:

- Applicable laws of Pakistan;
- Applicable laws of the People's Republic of China;
- International arbitration standards;
- International mediation principles;
- Relevant international treaties and conventions.

ARTICLE 12

PUBLICITY

The Parties may jointly announce and publicize this partnership through:

- Websites
- Conferences
- Publications
- Press releases
- Social media channels

subject to mutual approval.

ARTICLE 13

DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Any dispute concerning the interpretation or implementation of this MOU shall be resolved amicably through consultations and negotiations between the Parties.

SIGNATURES

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties, through their duly authorized representatives, have signed this Memorandum of Understanding.

FOR INTERNATIONAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION INSTITUTE (IDI)

Mr. Khalid Taimoor Akram

Director / Board Member

International Dispute Resolution Institute (IDI)

Islamabad, Pakistan

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Official Seal

FOR KARAMAY ARBITRATION COMMISSION (KAC)

Mr. Du Yaowei

Secretary General

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Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, China

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