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FRAMEWORK COOPERATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE UNIVERSITY OF MESSINA
AND
UNIVERSIDAD DE MEDELLÍN



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The University of Messina - Italy, legally represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Prof. Eugenio Cucinotta

and

Universidad de Medellín, legally represented by the Rector, Dr. Federico Restrepo Posada

hereby “the Parties”.

Considering the interest of the Parties to establish a cultural scientific and didactic cooperation in fields of mutual scientific interest;

Considering cultural diversity an incentive, rather than an obstacle, to innovation and international cooperation.

Agree under the following conditions:

1st Article

The Parties are committed to promote joint didactic, research and cultural activities as well as scientific exchanges in the areas of mutual interest; to maintain the highest standards of teaching and research; to keep up with academic trends and to share innovations.

2nd Article

The cooperation between the Parties may consist in cultural and scientific activities such as:

- Mobility of academics, researchers, technical-administrative staff and students;
- Mobility of Ph.D. students for thesis co-tutorship whose terms and conditions will be defined in specific agreements.
- Joint research projects in areas of common interest;
- Exchange of information, scientific works, and other scientific and didactic materials of mutual interest;
- Joint initiatives such as seminars, lectures, symposia, etc.;
- Access to IT and research equipments and other facilities of both Institutions.
- Other activities of an academic, investigative, scientific or cultural nature that the parties deem convenient to carry out jointly.



3rd Article

The development of cooperation activities, scientific aims, implementation procedures as well as expected results of each specific cooperation activity will be defined in specific protocols annex to the present framework cooperation agreement.

Within the limits of rules and regulations in force in each country, the Parties are engaged to find the necessary financial means to implement each specific cooperation activity.

4th Article

The present framework agreement shall be in force for a period of 5 years from the day following the date of the last signature. Any amendment shall be made in written by the Parties.

At the end of the period of 5 years the framework cooperation agreement may be renewed in written by express agreement between the parties.

5th Article

This framework agreement may be terminated by mutual agreement between the parties, at any time, or unilaterally by any of them, by means of a written statement addressed to the counterparty with their intention to terminate it, which must be communicated no less than six (6) months before the termination date.

If, when operating the unilateral termination, there were specific agreements in force or specific tasks of a project, said activities will continue to be carried out until their completion, unless the parties express otherwise.

6th Article

To oversee this Framework Cooperation Agreement and coordinate partner units, activities and side agreements, the partner institutions agree that the institutional contact points will be as follows:

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7th Article

This framework agreement is perfected as of the date of its last signature and includes two equivalent texts in English.

Date

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