

Università degli Studi di Messina



#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

#### BETWEEN

## THE UNIVERSITY OF MESSINA

AND

### THE UNIVERSITY OF JORDAN





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

and

The University of Jordan , legally represented by President Prof. Nathir Obeidat.

# 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 consistent with the legislation in force in the two parties; 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 of cultural and scientific activities consistent with the legislation in force in the two parties 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.





## **3rd Article**

Scientific aims, implementation procedures as well as expected results of each specific cooperation activity will be defined in specific protocols annexed to the present MoU.

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 two parties will agree in written, by means of additional protocols, to the division of ownership and returns of intellectual property prior to commencing any collaborative research activities, under this MoU, that may result in intellectual property, and in conformity with relevant legislation.

## **5th Article**

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

This MoU may, at any time during its period of validity, be terminated by one of the parties upon written notice to the other party not later than six months before the termination date. The termination will not affect ongoing activities.

At the end of the period of 5 years the MoU may be renewed in written, unless 6 months before the expiry date one of the Parties notifies the other Party of the decision not to renew it.

#### 6th Article

The present MoU includes two equivalent texts in English language.

| Prof. Eugenio Cucinotta                             | Prof. Nathir Obeidat                             |
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| Deputy Vice Chancellor University of Messina, Italy | President of the University of Jordan,<br>Jordan |
| Date:   | Date:  |