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Messina

ACADEMIC AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION

Basing on the principle of mutual independence, mutual benefit and the spirit of reciprocity

**University of Messina,
(UniME)**

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98122 Messina
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**and Maria Curie-Sklodowska University,
(UMCS)**

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20-031 Lublin, Poland
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agree to establish the following formal Academic Agreement of Cooperation for the purpose of furthering friendship, promoting mutual academic exchange and enhance scholarly cultural and educational cooperation.

Article 1.

The two universities agree to carry out, cooperatively, the following activities:

1. joint and collaborative research and/or educational work
2. joint and collaborative cultural activities
3. exchange of scholars, researchers, teaching staff and key administration officers to further the development of mutual collaboration
4. exchange of information, materials and scholarly publications in those fields which are of interest to both universities
5. exchange of students

Article 2.

The faculties, institutes and/or departments of University of Messina (UniME) and Maria Curie-Sklodowska University shall cooperate to fulfill this Agreement with each other's counterparts within the limits of its regulations basing on individual "Executive Protocols". The "Executive Protocols" shall stipulate the details of the objectives, supervision and coordination, duration, financing terms as well as the scope of the collaborative activities.

Article 3.

The general management of the Agreement is placed within the responsibilities of the Office of International Cooperation Unit at UniME and the International Cooperation Center at Maria Curie-Sklodowska University. Additionally, both UniME and Maria Curie-Sklodowska University shall nominate within their institutions executive protocol coordinators to be in charge of the implementation of the Executive Protocols.

Article 4.

1. Matters arising in relation to the implementation of the exchange and/or joint academic projects shall be negotiated by the executive protocol coordinators of the two universities on a case-by-case basis.
2. The present agreement imposes no financial obligations on either party. Any financial obligation related to the realization of the Agreement will be defined in separate "Executive Protocols" and subject to the approval of the involved faculties, institutes or departments which enter into collaboration.

Article 5.

The present framework agreement 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.

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

Article 6.



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The present framework agreement includes three equivalent texts in English language.

Date

Prof. Salvatore Cuzzocrea

Date

Rector of the University of Messina,
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