



The University of Messina (hereinafter referred as UniME)- Italy, legally represented by the Rector, Prof. Salvatore Cuzzocrea,

And

The University of Pennsylvania (hereinafter referred as Upenn)- USA – legally represented by, Prof.

Hereinafter referred collectively as “the Research Partners”;

WHEREAS

UniMe promotes international cooperation with Higher Education Institutions and Research Centres;

The Charles Koch Foundation (hereinafter referred as CKF) has offered UPenn a grant amounting to US\$ 400.000,00 to carry out a research on ‘Freedom, Norms and Social Change’ (hereby attached to the this agreement);

UPenn wishes to cooperate with other international Higher Education Institutions to carry out the research project financed by CKF;

Upenn and UniME research scholars already cooperated on the drafting of the research project on ‘Freedom, Norms and Social Change’ financed by CKF;

Upenn and UniME research scholars has already worked together in the scientific field of the research project financed by CKF;

The Research Partners wish to enter into this agreement in order to set out their respective rights and obligations under this arrangement

Art 1 – Aim of the agreement

The Research Parties undertake to cooperate for the design and the implementation of the research on ‘Freedom, Norms and Social Change’ financed by the Charles Koch Foundation.

Art. 2 – Commitments of Upenn

UPenn undertakes to provide UniME with a Research Unit for the design of the project.

Prof. Pietro Navarra will coordinate the UniME Research Unit, perform the role of co-leader of the research project and contribute to the overall research design and implementation.



Prof. Navarra as co-leader of the project and principal investigator of the UniME Research Unit will receive US\$ 40.000,00 for the whole duration of the project whose date of completion is 31st of December 2018.

The payment of the compensation will be executed monthly.

UPenn undertakes to grant UniMe a research contract of US\$ 16.000,00 for the whole duration of the project whose date of completion is 31st of December 2018.

The contract is aimed at hiring a qualified research scholar in the sector of applied economy with specific reference to the object of the research project financed by CKF

The research scholar will contribute to the implementation of the econometric tests and to the design of the questionnaire.

The payment of the contract will be executed monthly.

UPenn undertakes to contribute to travel, board and lodging expenses incurred by Prof. Pietro Navarra and the research scholar while performing activities related to the research project.

Art. 3 – Commitments of UniME

UniMe undertakes to select a research scholar under Prof. Pietro Navarra supervision.

UniMe undertakes to contribute to the implementation of the research project through the commitment of Prof. Dario Maimone Ansaldo Patti.

Prof. Maimone Ansaldo Patti's research expenses consisting in US\$ 12.000 will be financed by his own research funds.

UniMe, in accordance with the Scientific Committee of the Ph.D. programme in Economics, Management and Statistics, will promote the participation of n.2 ph.d students to the research activities of the project.

Art. 4 – Deliverables

In collaboration with the UPenn research team the UniMe Research Unit will contribute to deliver the following research outcomes:

1. Book draft on the role of Smithian and Schumpeterian freedoms in social change;
2. A paper on the determinants and measurement of perceptions of inequality and freedoms;
3. An operational measure of the perception of inequality and autonomy;
4. A position paper that draws the policy and political implications of the project;
5. A course (to Italian students) on the effect of Smithian and Schumpeterian freedoms on material and immaterial prosperity;
6. Design of the pilot project.

Art 5 – Intellectual property

The Research Partners grant to each other a non-exclusive, royalty free, worldwide license to use each other's introduced background intellectual property for the purpose of the design and the implementation of the Project, for the whole duration of the project.

Upenn has the unique property of the questionnaire.

Access to data and all relevant information arising from the questionnaire is granted to all researchers involved in the project as mentioned in art.2-3 of this agreement.



Art. 6 – Confidentiality

The Research Partners will keep information arising out the participation in the Research project confidential.

Art. 7– Duration of the agreement

This agreement shall come into force on the date of the last signature.

This agreement shall remain in force for the implementation of the research and until 31st of December 2018.

Date:

For the University of Messina
The Rector
Prof. Salvatore Cuzzocrea.

Date:

For the University of Pennsylvania
The President

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