



Agreement of joint thesis supervision
between
Messina University
and
Institut Catholique de Toulouse

Between

Università degli Studi di Messina (Home Institution), Piazza Pugliatti 1, 98121 Messina (Italy),
hereinafter referred to as "UNIME",
represented by Prof. Pietro Navarra, Rector,

and

Institut Catholique de Toulouse, 31 rue de la Fonderie, B.P. 7012, 31068 Toulouse Cedex 7 (France),
hereinafter referred to as "ICT"
represented by Prof. Luc-Thomas Somme, Rector,

jointly referred to as the '*the partner institutions*'

and

Mr. Aldo Bisceglia,
hereinafter referred to as 'the doctoral student',

in which the afore mentioned parties are jointly referred to as '*the parties*',

Within the framework cooperation agreement between *the partner institutions* (prot. UNIME 53239, del 7 Agosto 2014) and seen the art. 27 of the Regulation concerning Research Doctorate course issued with the Rector's Decree n. 1015/2016:

- conforming to the regulations in force in force;
- the art. 4 of the Italian Law n. 210 of 03/07/1998, that provides for the Universities' autonomy in setting up PhD courses within Universities' governmental, educational and scientific autonomy, as modified by the Law n. 240 of 30/12/2010;
- the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research Regulation concerning PhD programmes, issued with D.M. n. 45 of 08/02/2013;
- the University of Messina Regulation concerning Research Doctorate course issued with the Rector's Decree n. 1015/2016;
- The Décret de Réforme des études ecclésiastiques de philosophie of the Congrégation pour l'Education Catholique;
- The Décret n° 2009-427 regarding "l'accord entre la République française et le Saint-Siège sur la reconnaissance des grades et diplomes dans l'enseignement supérieur signé a Paris le 18 décembre 2008";
- the STATUTS DU COLLEGE DOCTORAL of ICT;

and in due observance of the readiness on the part of Prof.ssa Caterina Resta (UNIME) and Prof. Andre Bellantone (ICT) to assume supervision of the joint thesis sponsorship as thesis advisors;

The following has been agreed:

Article 1 – JOINT THESIS SUPERVISION

The partner institutions hereby agree that they shall assume joint responsibility for the supervision of the doctoral student's doctoral research project, the organisation of the doctoral examination and the award of a doctoral degree.

Doctoral student's personal details:

Surname and first name: Bisceglia Aldo

Official address (for correspondence): via Torrente San Licandro compl. CEISA, 98168 Messina.

Date of birth: 14/06/1990

Place of birth: Messina

Nationality: Italiana

Registered as PhD student at UNIME, first year A.A. 2016-2017, at the doctoral course in Philosophy;

Article 2 – SUPERVISION OF THE DOCTORAL STUDENT

The doctoral student shall be supervised by the following thesis advisors:

- At UNIME:
 - Name: Prof.ssa Caterina Resta
 - Department: Dipartimento di Civiltà Antiche e Moderne
 - Position: Full Professor
- At the ICT:
 - Name: Prof. Andrea Bellantone
 - Faculty or Department: Faculté de philosophie
 - Position: *Professor extraordinarius*

The two thesis advisors undertake to fully assume their responsibilities as the doctoral student's supervisors, which include holding consultations when required so as to be able to assess the progress being made in the research project.

The PhD student will continue the rules as described in the Research Doctorate course issued with the Rector's Decree n. 1015/2016.

Article 3 – ADMISSION TO DOCTORAL STUDIES – DOCTORAL THESIS SUBJECT

The doctoral student has been admitted to the doctoral program by both partner institutions:

- At UNIME:
 - The program lasts three years.
 - On the following date: October 1st, 2016 up to September 30th, 2019
 - The thesis must be submitted until the end of the doctorate course.
- At the ICT:
 - Admission to the doctoral program in Philosophy First year, Academic Year 2016/2017;
 - The program lasts three years.

The subject of the doctoral thesis is:
Dare la parola: il linguaggio come promessa.

Article 4 – AWARD OF THE DEGREE

If the doctoral student has passed the joint doctoral examination successfully, she shall be simultaneously and separately awarded a joint degree by the partner institutions conferring the following degrees which are given alternate, but not cumulated.

- Dottore di ricerca in Filosofia XXXII Ciclo (Philosophy)
- Docteur en Philosophie (Philosophy)

Article 5 – INSURANCE COVER

ICT will guarantee Insurance coverage according to the institutional rules and the legislation in force.

UNIME will guarantee Insurance coverage according to the institutional rules and the Italian legislation in force.

In France, In addition to that, the doctoral student takes all necessary steps in order to arrange health insurance, insurance cover against physical injuries and third party liability whilst performing his or her duties within the framework of the doctoral research project at the two partner institutions, in accordance with the national and institutional rules and regulations in force.

Article 6 – RESEARCH AT PARTNER INSTITUTION

The doctoral student shall spend the following alternate or consecutive research periods at both partner institutions. The period of the joint research activities will be organized as follow:

<i>Institution</i>	<i>From (Date)</i>	<i>To (Date)</i>
<i>UNIME</i>	<i>June 20th 2017 March 7st 2018 April 9st 2019</i>	<i>September 5st 2017 September 7st 2018 September 30st 2019</i>
<i>ICT</i>	<i>September 6st 2017 September 8st 2018</i>	<i>March 6st 2018 April 8st 2019</i>

At UNIME at the end of the first and second year, the activities of the PhD student will be evaluated according to the PhD program rule including a short presentation, and the admission to the next year follow an evaluation of the activities performed. For the admission to the final examination, the student will respect the rules provided by the Italian rules.

At ICT in order to obtain the admission to the final examination, the PhD student will be evaluated in front of the teacher college of the Doctorate School in Philosophy.

Article 7 – FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

The PhD Candidate benefits has been admitted ai the Doctoral Coure the XXXII Ciclo a scholarship from Univerisità degli studi di Messina with an amount of 13,638,47 Euros per year.

Article 8 – THESIS DEFENSE COMMITTEE

The thesis defense committee set up for the evaluation (doctoral thesis and the defense of the thesis) shall be composed by mutual consent between the partner institutions, in accordance with the regulations in force at the institutions following the recommendations of the two Deans (or equivalents). The Examination Board shall comprise six members including the two thesis advisors that don't evaluate.

Two of the member must be international recognized academic professors that don't belong to UNIME or UNI Partner. One will be selected within the professors at UNIME, one within the professors at Uni Partner. The Dean names two reviewers for the evaluation of the thesis.

ICT: The Dean names two reviewers for the evaluation of the thesis.

UNIME: According to the new Italian rules, before the final examination, the thesis will be evaluated by two reviewers that are professors that don't participate at the final evaluation.

The two institutions, by means of the Deans, exchange any piece of information and all documents relevant to the organization of the joint sponsorship described in the present agreement.

Article 9 – DOCTORAL THESIS DEFENSE

The public defense of the doctoral thesis shall take place at one of the partner institutions (in principle this is the home institution) but is recognised by all institutions involved. In the present case the public defense will take place at UNIME until the deadline provided by the Italian law according to the Italian law.

Article 10 – LANGUAGE

DOCTORAL THESIS:

The doctoral thesis shall be written in Italian.

An abstract of the doctoral thesis shall be supplied in French Language.

DEFENSE:

The defense of the doctoral thesis is to take place in Italian at UNIME and the commission activities can take place by electronic means.

The grades for thesis and defense will be assigned in compliance with the rules in force both at UNIME and ICT.

Article 11 – INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

Intellectual property ownership will be based on the principle of inventor owns in accordance with the respective policies of each of the partner institutions.

Therefore the protection of the research results arising from the doctoral research project, as well as any matter related to filing them, making them accessible, their publication and exploitation shall be discussed and agreed by the partner institutions and be in accordance with the national and institutional regulations in force.

Article 12 – COMMENCEMENT AND VALIDITY OF THE AGREEMENT

The present agreement shall take as and from the date of its execution by the authorised representative of each contracting Institution, until the end of the first academic year of UNIME, and expires at the end of final examination procedure according to the Italian law.

Article 13 – VALIDITY OF THE AGREEMENT AND SETTLEMENTS OF DISPUTES

The stipulations of this agreement may not conflict with the provisions of the regulations at the UNIME, or with the supplementary faculty regulations regarding the conferring of doctoral degree at the UNIME faculty where the doctoral project takes shape. The stipulations of this agreement may not conflict with the provisions of the regulations at ICT.

Drawn up in in four original copies, date of last signature: _____

For Institut Catholique de Toulouse

For the University of Messina

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The doctoral student

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