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# **FRAMEWORK COOPERATION AGREEMENT**

**BETWEEN**

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MESSINA  
ITALY**

**AND**

**INSTITUT AGRONOMIQUE ET VETERINAIRE HASSAN II  
MOROCCO**

The University of Messina - Italy, legally represented by the **Rector, Prof. Salvatore Cuzzocrea**,

*and*

Institut Agronomique et Vétérinaire Hassan II , legally represented by the **Director, Abdelaziz El Hraki**.

hereby “the Parties”;

*Considering the previous collaboration between both institutions through the Erasmus + Programme 2019-2022, and the scope of enlarging the horizons of partnership.*

*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: Purpose of the agreement**

The purpose of this partnership is 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, in the fields of Agronomy, Agro-Food Industry, Veterinary Medicine and other mutual fields of interest.

### **2nd Article: Cooperation areas**

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

- Mobility of academics, researchers, post-doctorals, technical-administrative staff and students;
- Mobility of Ph.D. students and master thesis students for co-tutorship and co-advising 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, research equipment and other facilities after mutual consent of both institutions.

### **3rd Article: Terms of implementation**

Scientific aims, implementation procedures as well as expected results of each specific cooperation activity will be defined in specific agreements 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: Steering committee**

- For IAV Hassan II:

Pr. Lamiae Ghaouti, in her quality of Deputy Director of Cooperation, Partnership and Development

- For University of Messina:

Prof. Antonino Germanà, in her quality of Pro-Rector for internationalization.

### **5th Article: Duration**

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.

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

Date

Prof. Salvatore Cuzzocrea

Date

Prof. Abdelaziz El Hraiki

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Rector of the University of Messina,  
Italy

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Director of Institut Agronomique et  
Vétérinaire Hassan II