



Università  
degli Studi di  
Messina

## INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC AND ACADEMIC PROTOCOL OF AGREEMENT

### BETWEEN

The University of Toulon (hereafter referred to as "UTLN"), a scientific, cultural, and professional public institution, represented by its President, Mr. Xavier LEROUX, duly authorized by deliberation of the UTLN's Board of Governors, residing at CS 60584, 83041 Toulon Cedex 9, France, and

### AND

The Università degli Studi di Messina (hereafter referred to as "UNIME"), represented by its Rector Mr. Salvatore CUZZOCREA, having its registered office at Piazza Pugliatti 1 - 98122 MESSINA, Italy

For the purpose of the present protocol of agreement, UTLN and UNIME will be referred to as the "Parties".

It is agreed as follows.

### ARTICLE I: SCOPE OF THE AGREEMENT

**1.1** The present protocol of agreement expresses the readiness of the parties to collaborate in the areas of cooperation specified in Article II and to implement the cooperative actions specified in Article III.

### ARTICLE II: AREAS OF COOPERATION

**2.1** The areas of cooperation of the present protocol of agreement shall include all programs of mutual interest for both parties, in particular:

- education and training;
- research and development (R&D).

### ARTICLE III: COOPERATIVE ACTIONS

**3.1** The parties have a desire to partner in order to create favorable conditions for:

- the strengthening of regular scientific exchanges;
- the visits and exchanges of teachers and researchers;
- the visits and exchanges of students at Bachelor, Master, and PhD level;
- the creation or the development of educational programs and scientific research common to both parties;
- the delivery of double diplomas;
- the joint supervision and/or co-supervision of PhD's;
- the organization of cultural and scientific events;
- the creation or the development of delocalized programs;
- the creation or the development of collaborative summer school programs.

**ARTICLE IV: IMPLEMENTATION**

**4.1** The implementation of such projects will be carried out by the parties' signing the specific memorandums of understanding and/or application agreements required for each project.

**ARTICLE V: TERM OF THE PROTOCOL OF AGREEMENT**

**5.1** The present protocol of agreement will be effective starting from the last date of signature.

**5.2** The term of the agreement is five (5) years.

**5.3** The present protocol of agreement will be renewed in written for an additional five (5) years, unless either party has sent the other a written notification of termination of this agreement at least three (3) months before its expiry date.

The present protocol of agreement is signed in one (1) original copie written in English.

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For the University of Toulon  
(France)

Xavier LEROUX  
*President*

Messina, the .....

For UNIME  
(Italy)

Salvatore CUZZOCREA  
*Rector*