



## GENERAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT

between

**POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY**

and

**UNIVERSITY OF MESSINA**

Between the Posts and Telecommunications Institute of Technology (Vietnam), represented by its Vice President Vu Van San, and the University of Messina represented by its Rector Prof. Pietro Navarra this agreement is signed on the basis of the following terms and statements.

### Preliminaries

- The Posts and Telecommunications Institute of Technology, founded in 1997, is a Vietnamese public institution, and as a higher education institution its aim is to produce, promote, spread and preserve culture and knowledge.
- The University of Messina is a public law Institutions committed to foster international mobility of academics, researchers, students and administrative staff and engaged to maintain the highest standards of teaching and research.

### Statements

Both parties declare that:

- Their cooperation and complementation between Universities serve the purpose of their respective institutional development while increasing their teacher's capability for technological and cultural research.
- This exchange increases their extension services for the benefit of the communities to which each University belong to.
- They acknowledge each other as fully capable of undertaking the signing of this agreement according to the following terms:



## **Terms and conditions**

### **FIRST:**

Both parties agree to conduct cooperation and exchange activities to be developed into specific agreements subscribed to these purposes, which will include the work plan, the coordinators, the technical and legal protections for property and results, and all that the Parties deem necessary for the interpretation thereof. Any annex signed by the Parties should be raised for ratification to the Responsables of Posts and Telecommunications Institute of Technology and the equivalent instance in the counterpart university.

### **SECOND:**

These activities will mainly concentrate on the following aspects:

- a) The mutual information on syllabi, administration, and teaching planning.
- b) The exchange of bibliography and didactic material.
- c) Promote faculty stays for specified periods, so that they are able to give lectures, take part in courses and in the development of joint teaching programs.
- d) Joint development of studies and research projects on matters of common interest. In such case, they may request external financial aid for their development with previous agreement of both parties.
- e) Collaboration in research and development projects that the other party is carrying out, exchanging information, professors, researchers, and technicians.
- f) Assist graduates' attendance to post-graduate and specialization courses, PhDs. and extensive programs.
- g) The organization of lectures, seminars and courses on matters and problems of common interest.
- h) Exchange of undergraduates students. Students will pay all tuition and monthly fees in their home institution. However, if applicable, the students will be responsible for the administrative costs of their stay, according to what each faculty determines, in accordance with the academic regulations and possibilities of the two institutions.

### **THIRD:**

Likewise, both parties mutually agree to facilitate academic, scientific, technical, and cultural services for professors, researchers, graduates, and visiting students of the other party.

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**FOURTH:**

The teaching and researching staff that both institutions offer for the activities mentioned in the previous clause will be accepted by both parties according to strict principles of professional aptitude for the work intended.

**FIFTH:**

In order to implement the foregoing, a commission shall be set up to establish the specific and exchange programs according to the academic laws and the economic possibilities of both institutions. These activities will have approved by both parties

**SIXTH:**

Financing arrangements of academic actions will be defined in specific agreements subscribed between the Parties.

**SEVENTH:**

This agreement does not limit in any way the right of the parties to execute similar agreements with other institutions. Both parties shall maintain the autonomy and individuality of their technical and administrative units and, therefore, particularly assume the corresponding responsibilities

The parties agree to engage all their efforts to solve any disagreements that could arise from the fulfillment of the present agreement. If it is not feasible to provide a solution in common agreement to the issues that could arise, they will be subject to the final decision of an ad hoc committee that will be composed of one member appointed by each one of the parties, and another chosen by mutual consent.

**EIGHTH:**

This agreement will be in force for five (5) years as from the date of its ratification by the corresponding authorities and it may be extended by mutual agreement.

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**NINTH:**



The intellectual rights originating in work done under this agreement shall belong to both parties. It will be stated in published work that such rights have been originated in this agreement. In those undertakings in which it is possible to achieve results of economic importance, both parties shall take the necessary steps regarding to the property of the achieved results, as well as to its protection.

**TENTH:**

Any of the parties may terminate this agreement by giving the other party a six month's written notice without affecting the work already started unless it were otherwise stated by the signing universities.

**ELEVENTH:**

Without prejudice to the resources that each university assign, both parties agree to take the necessary steps with the corresponding official institutions, such as the Ministries of Foreign Affairs of each country, councils for scientific and technological research and similar ones; international organizations, foundations, organizations of public welfare or private associations, in order to contribute to the better achievement of the aims to this agreement.

**TWELVETH:**

The parties agree to keep in strict confidence and not to disclose to third parties any information coming to their knowledge through this Agreement and that relates to technical developments, etc. that are of intellectual and / or industrial property of the other party, unless there is prior written consent of the latter

**THIRTEENTH:**

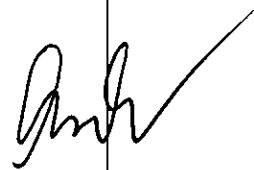
It is established that for the validity of any legal and administrative notification the legal address of the Posts and Telecommunications Institute of Technology (PTIT) at 122 Hoang Quoc Viet street, Cau Giay, Hanoi (Vietnam).

The University of Messina establishes its legal address in Piazza Pugliatti, 1 – 98122, Messina (Italy).

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be a stylized name or set of initials.

Both parties express their full compliance with each and every clause of this agreement and in acceptance they subscribe it in two (2) copies, to only one effect in the city of Messina on the date July 04 2017.

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**PROF. PIETRO NAVARRA**  
**RECTOR**  
**UNIVERSITY OF MESSINA**

**PROF. TRAN QUANG ANH**  
**VICE PRESIDENT**  
**POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS**  
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