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UNIVERSITY OF DUBAI



## LETTER OF INTENT FOR EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP

Between

**UNIVERSITY OF DUBAI**

Dubai, United Arab Emirates

and

**UNIVERSITY OF MESSINA - ITALY**

Whereas, both **University of Dubai (UD)** and **University of Messina (UNIME)** (hereinafter referred to as "the parties") seek to promote a global outlook and international understanding; and Whereas, the parties recognize the active role that exchange plays in enhancing mutual understanding, friendship and good relations between Italy and UAE people;

Now therefore, based on the principles of equality, reciprocity, and mutual benefit, both parties agree to explore the following avenues of educational exchange keeping in mind UAE-MOHESR Standards and ECTS Guide-February 2009:

1. Arranging for faculty exchanges;
2. Promoting and encouraging joint research projects and other scholarly and instructional cooperation between academic units;
3. Exchanging invitations for visiting faculty/scholars;
4. Pursuing other mutually advantageous undertakings;
5. Arranging faculty visits to UD and UNIME for teaching MBA courses and Ph.D. seminars that can range from one semester to one academic year or more including PhD thesis supervision ;
6. Accessing library resources at both institutions by students and faculty for the purpose of research;
7. Promote the study of undergraduate and graduate students between the Parties with appropriate agreements to be established separately.
8. Exchange students and faculty are expected to study and work according to the host institution plan for teaching, professional improvement and research. The two institutions will agree in advance upon specific arrangements for special facilities, laboratories, etc.
9. Exchange personnel must abide by the laws of the host country and the rules and regulations of the host institution.
10. Should collaboration associated with this agreement result in the potential for the development of intellectual property (IP), the parties shall meet immediately through designated representatives to seek an equitable understanding as to ownership and other



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- IP issues. Discussions should always be conducted in a harmonious manner conducive to the continuation of the relationship outlined in this agreement.
11. This agreement becomes effective when signed by the representatives of the two institutions. The agreement shall remain in effect for a period of five years unless either institution gives a one-year notice of intent to discontinue. During this agreement period, both the institutions shall continue to maintain international accreditations from AACSB/EQUIS and other accrediting bodies, failure of which the agreement stands terminated.
  12. Any articles in this agreement may be amended or revised by the two institutions after consultation and mutual agreement. Any issue not mentioned in this agreement may be resolved through mutual discussion.
  13. Nothing in this agreement shall be construed as creating any legal or financial relationships between the parties. This agreement will be construed as statements of intent to foster genuine and mutually beneficial academic collaboration.

University of Dubai  
Dubai, United Arab Emirates

University of Messina, Italy  
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President, University of Dubai  
Date:

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President of the University of Messina  
Date: