



*Università degli Studi di Messina*

IL RETTORE

24 March 2015

**Pick up service at RC Airport (scheduled arrival at 18:20) and transfer to Messina**

20:30 Arrival and Accommodation in Hotel

**Dinner**

With UniME Representatives

25 March 2015

**9:00 Meeting with Prof. P. Navarra, Rector of UniME**

Venue: Rector's Office – Rettorato Building

**9:30 – 13:00: Meetings with UniME leaders**

Venue: Rettorato Building

9:30 - 10:15 Meeting with Prof. A. Germanà, Deputy Rector to internationalization and Prof. Guglielmino, Deputy Rector to Students Affairs

10:15 – 11:15 Meeting with Prof. S. Cuzzocrea, Deputy Rector to Research, Prof. Baglieri, Deputy Rector to Innovation and Technology Transfer and Prof. Latella, Rector's Delegate to EU programme *Horizon 2020*

11:15 – 11:45 Coffee break

11:45 – 12:45 Prof. Perconti, Deputy Rector to Didactic Affairs and prof. Toeffle Assistant Professor

13:00 -14:00 Lunch and networking

**14:30- 16:30 EWU meets UniME academic staff**

Venue: Papardo Campus

14:30-15:30

Meeting with Departments of Engineering

16:00-17:00

Venue Annunziata Campus

Meeting with Departments of Art and Humanities

26 March 2015

**9:30- 12:00 EWU meets UniME academic staff**

**9:30- 10:30**

Meeting with Departments of Economics, History,

**10:45 - 11:45**

Meeting with Departments of Pedagogy, Psychology, Nursing

**12:00** Cultural activities

**15:00** Transfer to RC airport



## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

### Eastern Washington University (EWU) and Università degli Studi di Messina (UniME)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) serves as a facilitating document toward establishing cooperation between Eastern Washington University (EWU) and Università degli Studi di Messina (UniME).

All of the provisions of this MOU and future documents/project proposals/addendum are subject to mutual agreement of the parties, to the availability of appropriate funding at each institution. The MOU is also subject to periodic review by the EWU Executive Director, Office of Global Initiatives (OGI), and the UniME Unita' Organizzativa Relazioni Internazionali and, when necessary, university counsel.

#### **PARTNER BACKGROUND**

EWU – Founded in 1882, EWU is a comprehensive public university located in Cheney, Washington, USA. EWU offers nearly 200 fields of study, to include 55 graduate programs and one applied doctorate. EWU's comprehensive liberal arts curriculum and emphasis on real-world experiences prepares graduates for success in a competitive global job market while preparing them to live in a multicultural, technology-based society.

UniME – Established in 1548, UniME provides a comprehensive academic offering at all levels covering a wide range of academic fields in response to an increasingly demanding labor market. UniME believes academic mobility is vital to building up a knowledge-based society where awareness of cultural diversity and traditions is an incentive, rather than an obstacle, to innovation and international cooperation.

#### **LONG TERM OBJECTIVES**

EWU and UniME hope to formally establish ongoing collaboration to include the development and implementation of cooperative projects such as the following:

- Student, Staff and Faculty Mobility – EWU and UniME will work to develop and implement exchange programs of different academic focuses and durations for students, staff and faculty
- Academic Opportunities – EWU and UniME could facilitate short-term academic programs, certificates
- Joint Research Projects and Grant Opportunities – EWU and UniME could work together on joint research projects, government sponsored programs and grant-funded research opportunities.
- Exchange of information, publications and cultural exhibits
- Other mutually agreed upon activities

By formalizing this relationship, initially through this memorandum of understanding and, once all aspects of this collaborative relationship are agreed upon, more formally through additional signed addendums, EWU and UniME hope to establish a more permanent basis for these contacts and proposed projects. In



order to support the development of this partnership, both institutions agree to have an annual review of progress and agreement renewal every five years.

The parties shall cooperate under this MOU for a period of five years after the execution of this document. The MOU may be extended by the mutual written consent of the parties, and it may be terminated by either party after six months' written notification to the other party. In addition, any modification to this MOU requires the written approval of both parties. The MOU is written in English – two original copies have been signed.

### SIGNATURES

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Dr. Pietro Navarra  
Rector  
Università degli Studi di Messina

26 March 2015

Date

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Dr. Rex Fuller  
Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs  
Eastern Washington University

26 MARCH 2015

Date

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