



# FRAMEWORK COOPERATION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE UNIVERSITY OF MESSINA

AND

THE UNIVERSITY OF CONCEPCION





The University of Messina - Italy, legally represented by the Rector, Prof. Pietro Navarra,

and

The University of Concepcion – Chile, legally represented by the Rector, Prof. Sergio Lavanchy Merino,

# hereby "the Parties";

Considering the interest of the Parties to start the cultural cooperation, scientific and didactics in the fields of mutual scientific interest;

Agree under the following conditions:

## **1st Article**

The Parties through this framework cooperation Agreement are engaged to promote initiatives aimed at realizing joint research programs in scientific areas of common interest and at promoting cultural exchanges in the areas of training, education and scientific research.

### 2nd Article

The present framework Agreement defines the beginning of a co-operation between the Parties in all fields and disciplines of common interest. It will be integrated by specific additional protocols in which are defined didactic-scientific cooperation's aims, rules of procedure and liability and the expected results.

### **3rd Article**

The cooperation between the Parties envisages the setting up of joint performance of research and teaching programs.

It will be performed as follows:

- by exchanging teachers, researchers, technical-administrative staff and students;
- by performing joint research projects of common interest;





- by exchanging information, scientific works and other scientific and didactic materials of the Institutions' mutual interest;
- by joint initiatives, such as seminars, lectures etc.;
- by giving the possibility to use the research equipment and by giving free access to the facilities of both institutions.

### 4th Article

Within the limits of regulations in force in each country, the Parties agree to find the necessary financial means to reach the above mentioned objectives.

# **5th Article**

The present framework Agreement shall be in force for a period of 5 years from the date of the last signature by the Legal Representative of one of the Parties.

Any amendment shall be made in written by the Parties.

At the end of the period of 5 years, the framework agreement will be automatically renewed, unless 6 months before the expiry date one of the Parties notifies to the other Party the decision not to renew it.

### 6th Article

The present framework Agreement includes equivalent texts, in Italian and English, consisting of four original copies (two in English and two in Italian).

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