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THESSALONIKI



UNIVERSITÀ
DI TORINO

AGREEMENT OF SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION FOR THE MOBILITY OF TEACHING STAFF, RESEARCHERS AND STUDENTS

Between the

ARISTOTLE UNIVERSITY OF THESSALONIKI, GREECE
and the
UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI TORINO
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL, FOREST AND FOOD SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF VETERINARY SCIENCES

The contracting parties: 1) The Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece, represented by its Rector, Professor Haralambos N. Feidas and 2) Università degli Studi di Torino, Department of Agricultural, Forest and Food Sciences, Department of Veterinary Sciences represented by its Rector, Prof. Stefano Geuna agreed on the following:

ARTICLE I

The Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and Università degli Studi di Torino are establishing this agreement in order to encourage cooperation in teaching and research in areas of mutual interest, as well as exchange of students, faculty and staff between the two institutions. Details for each cooperation will be specified in a working program, prepared in the year before the realization of the program.

ARTICLE II

1. Exchange of academic staff

The Contracting Parties shall exchange up to two (2) academic staff members annually, for up to five working (5) days each, as detailed in the technical annex (Table A). The annex can be modified according to academic calendar or needs related to mobility expressed by the Parties.

The teaching staff /researchers involved in the mobility must comply with the rules in force at the Host Institution.

The Host Institution will provide any useful information in order to support teaching staff/researchers during the mobility period.

Costs related to expatriation procedures, accommodation and staying will be at the expense of teaching staff/researchers, unless otherwise agreed.

The host institution will also supply with access to library, working space and technological facilities.

2. Exchange of students

2.1. Participants.

Participants will be undergraduate or graduate students in the Università degli Studi di Torino and the AUTh. Participants must be enrolled at the home institution as full-time, degree-seeking students for an entire academic year prior to departure for the exchange program. If admitted, participants will be full-time, for-credit, non-degree students at the host institution.

2.2. Exchange Quota.

Mobility flows will be defined for each academic year as shown in Table B on the technical annex of this agreement.

For each academic year of validity of this agreement, each institution will send two (2) exchange student/s per semester, unless otherwise mutually agreed by the parties. Other equivalent combinations of number of exchange students and duration of study may be substituted.

Permissible quotas unused in any one year may be transferred to subsequent years, but in no event shall there be more than four (4) exchange students per academic year for each institution. The parties will strive to timely address imbalances.

2.3. Application.

The home institution will nominate applicants and submit their completed applications to the host institution. The host institution retains the right to refuse any applicant if the applicant does not fulfill the minimum requirements of the host institution and those specific to the College and/or Department to which application is made. The host institution reserves the right to exclude students from restricted enrollment programs. Exchange student applications under this program will be evaluated according to the criteria and policies that govern this Agreement, the host institution, and the corresponding on-campus program. Students are required a good knowledge of the vehicular language used for courses. The assessment of linguistic knowledge will be detailed in the application calls.

Students' enrolment, attendance and assessment. Academic recognition of didactic activities. Students in mobility can enrol to any course activated from the Department of Agricultural, Forest and Food Sciences and from the Department of Veterinary Sciences at UniTO and from the School of Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Environment, Biology, Chemistry and Veterinary Medicine at Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, provided that they meet the minimum requirements for access, in accordance with the didactic regulations of each course. At UniTo, students can choose courses from other Departments, but they have to ask to each professor in charge of the relevant course the availability of places in their classes. However, at least one course must be taken from the assigned hosting Department.

At AUTh, students can choose courses from other Schools, but at least 51% of the chosen courses should be from one School, which will be the one they will be enrolled in.

Each student agrees with the Home Institution and the Host Institution a study program clearly defined through a *Learning Agreement* before the mobility starts. At the end of the period of study abroad, the Host Institution commits to provide the student with a *Transcript of Records* certifying the didactic activities carried out abroad.

In compliance with the *Learning Agreement*, the Home Institution will recognize the studies accomplished at the Host Institution as an integral part of students' career. Recognition can be denied only if students do not achieve the level required by the Host Institution or do not satisfy the conditions required by the participating Institutions.

Academic recognition of didactic activities carried out abroad will occur in compliance with the credit converting system adopted by the signing Institutions.

2.4. Student Responsibilities.

Each participating student will be responsible for the following:

- a. Compliance with all rules, statutes, procedures, and regulations of the host institution and host country, in addition to compliance with those of the home institution;
- b. Compliance with immigration rules and regulations;
- c. Costs associated with accommodation and other living expenses;
- d. Costs associated with passports, visas, and all legally required documentation;
- e. Costs associated with all required and optional vaccinations and inoculations;
- f. Payment of tuition and fees to the student's home institution;
- g. Premiums to maintain in full force and effect a policy of health insurance and international insurance coverage for emergency evacuation, repatriation of mortal remains, accidental death and dismemberment, and all costs associated therewith, which should be issued before their arrival to the host institution.

2.5. Institutional Responsibilities.

Each institution will:

- a. Appoint a faculty or staff member to serve as coordinator for this program;
- b. Inform participating students of the goals, regulations, and students' responsibilities;
- c. Provide information concerning immigration rules and regulations to the participating students, upon request;
- d. Submit nominations and completed applications by the host institution's established deadlines;
- e. Assist, to the best of their ability, participating students in finding appropriate and acceptable housing accommodations, such cost to be borne by the participating students;
- f. Provide funding or scholarships to financially assist students, on condition that related funds or scholarships are available;
- g. Exempt of tuition fees to the host institution.

3. Common research programs

Members of the academic staff, serving at both, Institutions, can collaborate in Common research projects. The results will be jointly published to the mutual benefit of both Institutes.

4. Publications etc.

Collaboration in publications and scientific events between both Institutions is desirable.

5. Working program

For the realization of the activities mentioned above, a Working program covering a whole academic year is to be drawn each year.

The Working program will include the names of faculty, students and/or research associates, who will visit the two Institutions respectively, the specific academic purpose of visit (e.g. detailed teaching schedule and content, description of research program, description of program of study etc.), the time and terms of stay in the host country on a basis of absolute mutuality and equality concerning their number, as well as the department and laboratories where the Common research programs will be carried out.

ARTICLE III

6. Financial Obligations

No financial commitment whatsoever on either signatory to this document is intended or implied. Both Institutions will actively seek in national and international programs opportunities aimed at the provision of funds to carry out activities that will promote the development of cooperation.

At UniTo, Financial burden related to the activities covered by this cooperation agreement will be charged on the single Department directly involved in the initiative, unless otherwise agreed.

7. Insurance coverage

Each person involved in the activities set out in this agreement must be covered by an insurance for civil liability,

Within the limits of the policy general and specific conditions, the insurance provides protection for accidents connected to institutional activities and duties previously authorized, in accordance with internal existing regulations, and carried out inside the university premises or third parties' premises.

Each person involved in the activities should also be covered by an insurance for medical and health costs. Each person involved must assume the related financial burdens

8. Intellectual property

Technical and scientific results obtained within this agreement and the related rights will be owned by the Party generating them. Should the Parties reach such results jointly, the royalties will be co-owned. Each Party shall grant a free non-exclusive license to the other Party for the non-commercial use of the joint results.

A Party intending to publish any results generated in the framework of this agreement shall duly mention the name and participation of the other Party. Publication activities shall be compatible with the protection of intellectual property rights, confidentiality obligations and the legitimate interests of the owner(s) of the results.

At least 30 days prior notice of any publication activity shall be given to the other Party concerned, including sufficient information concerning the planned publication activity. The notification shall be given, via email, to the scientific Responsible of the Agreement.

Within 15 days of the notification the other Party may object to the envisaged publication activity if it considers that it can damage its legitimate interests.

In such cases, the publication activity may not take place unless appropriate steps are taken to safeguard these legitimate interests.

9. Data Protection

All the data processed within the present agreement will be processed in compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/679).

10. Dispute resolution

Any conflict that may arise between the signing Institutions, regarding interpretation, non-validity, execution, modification, termination of this agreement, will be settled amicably and by negotiation.

11. Contacts

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ARTICLE IV

This agreement will be valid immediately after the authorized representatives of both institutions have signed it. The agreement is valid for five (5) full years but it may be renewed for an equal period, by mutual written approval.

The contracting parties declare that they have read the present document and have agreed on all terms and conditions herein. The agreement issued in two (2) copies in English and two (2) copies in Italian is signed by both contracting parties. Each Institution will keep at least one copy in each language. In the event of any discrepancy between the English and Italian versions, the English text shall prevail.

For the
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki



 The Rector

Professor Haralambos N. Feidas

Thessaloniki, 4/4/2025

For the
Università degli Studi di Torino



 The Rector

Prof. Stefano Geuna

Torino, 11/03/2025

TECHNICAL ANNEX

Table A: Teaching Staff/Researchers' Mobility Flows

Home Institution	Host Institution	Subject area name	Number of teaching/research mobility periods	
			Number of teaching staff/researchers per academic year	Total number of days
<i>Università di Torino</i>	<i>Aristotle University of Thessaloniki</i>	-Department of Agricultural, Forest and Food Sciences - Department of Veterinary Sciences	2	2*5=10
<i>Aristotle University of Thessaloniki</i>	<i>Università di Torino</i>	-School of Agriculture -School of Forestry & Natural Environment -School of Chemistry -School of Biology -School of Veterinary Medicine -School of Economics -School of Informatics	2	2*5=10

This table can be modified according to the academic calendar.

The Scientific Responsible must inform the Partner Institution about any change by sending an undersigned Annex at least two months before the application period.

Table B: Students' mobility flows

Home Institution	Host Institution	Subject area name	Cycle of Studies			Students' Mobility for Studies per year	Total months of mobility
			I cycle	II cycle	III cycle		
<i>Università di Torino</i>	<i>Aristotle University of Thessaloniki</i>	-Department of Agricultural, Forest and Food Sciences - Department of Veterinary Sciences	X	X		4	4*6=24
<i>Aristotle University of Thessaloniki</i>	<i>Università di Torino</i>	-School of Agriculture -School of Forestry & Natural Environment -School of Chemistry -School of Biology -School of Veterinary Medicine -School of Economics -School of Informatics	X	X		4	4*6=24

This table can be modified according to the academic calendar.

The Didactic Responsible must inform the Partner Institution about any change by sending an undersigned Annex before the application period.