Memorandum of Understanding

between

UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI SASSARI
AND
UNIVERSITY BERNARDO O'HIGGINS (CHILE)

Università degli Studi di Sassari, henceforth UNISS, represented by the Rector, Prof. Gavino Mariotti, based in Sassari, piazza Università 21, 07100 (Italy)

and

University Bernardo O'Higgins**,** henceforth UBO, represented by the Rector, Prof. Claudio Ruff Escobar, based in Santiago, Av. Viel 1497 (Chile)

(hereinafter named THE PARTIES)

WHEREAS   both parties acknowledge the importance of establishing cultural and scientific relations between higher education institutions belonging to different countries, in order to achieve their institutional aims

WHEREAS   both parties share areas of common interest and similar academic goals in teaching and research,

THEREFORE   the parties have agreed to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as MOU)

Article 1

The Parties agree to exchange information on their respective academic programmes and research activities, for the purpose of facilitating some or all of the following:

1. Student Mobility;
   - exchange of students;
   - study-abroad programmes and summer schools;
   - language training;
   - internships/traineeships.
2. Joint Programmes
   - collaboration in the training of students through joint academic programmes;
   - co-supervision of doctoral theses.
3. Knowledge Transfer and Co-creation
   - exchange of publications and other academic materials;
   - exchange of academic staff for teaching;
   - conferences and seminars;
   - exchange of administrative staff.
4. Research Collaborations
   - exchange of faculty members, graduate students and postdoctoral fellows;
   - development of collaborative research;
   - joint research programmes;
   - collaborative scholarly publications.

Other cooperation opportunities can be jointly agreed upon by the Parties in the future.

Article 2

For the carrying out of the above activities, the Parties agree to draw up a specific agreement for the implementation of the programmes and activities of cooperation, in compliance with legislations and regulations in force in the country where they are implemented and provided that relevant funding is confirmed by either party.

Article 3

The Parties shall appoint a representative responsible for supervising the implementation of this MOU.

As for University Bernardo O'Higgins, such coordinator will be Prof. Loris De Nardi

As for the University of Sassari, such coordinators will be Dr. Salvatore Mura and Prof. Albertina Vittoria

Article 4

This MOU will not give rise to any financial obligation by one Party to the other. The Parties acknowledge that in the absence of any specific written agreement to the contrary, each Party will bear its own costs and expenses in establishing and conducting programmes and activities provided for under this MOU.

Article 5

This MOU shall take effect upon the signature of both parties and shall continue to be effective for a period of five (5) years; the agreement will be renewed automatically for an equal period of time, unless a written notice is submitted by one party to the other, notifying the desire to terminate the Agreement at least six (6) months prior to the date of expiry.

The provisions of this MOU in respect of any on-going exchange programme or any other form of cooperative activity under this MOU shall continue to apply until their completion, unless both Parties mutually agree in writing to the earlier termination of the programme or activity.

Article 6

This MOU is written in duplicate copies in English, with each of the copies being equally authentic, signed by their duly authorized representatives.

In any case, as for the interpretation of each clause, the English version will prevail.

Each Party will be responsible for any fiscal charge related to the execution of this MOU, according to the rules and regulations applicable in each institution.

For and on behalf of the
UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI SASSARI

Date: …………………………….

For and on behalf of the
UNIVERSITY BERNARDO O'HIGGINS

Date: …………………………….

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Professor Gavino Mariotti
Rettore

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Prof. Claudio Ruff Escobar
Rector