



GENERAL AGREEMENT REGULATING CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION

between

THE UNIVERSITY OF ROME "TOR VERGATA"

and

THE INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY OF KHARAGPUR

The University of Rome "TOR VERGATA" (Italy), represented by its Rector, and the Indian Institute Technology of Kharagpur (West Bengal, India), represented by its Director, Considering the development of cultural and scientific cooperation to be of mutual advantage to both Universities, and desiring to reinforce such cooperation, agree on the following points:

Art. 1: Scientific and educational cooperation shall be undertaken in areas of mutual interest. Such cooperation will be carried out on the basis of equal and mutual advantage.

Art. 2: The cooperation may be implemented in the following ways:

- i) Exchange of visits by scholars.
- ii) Participation in research programs.
- iii) Sharing scientific information, documentation and scientific publication.
- iv) Study meeting, seminars and courses on the subjects laid down in the agreement.

Art 3: As far as the implementation of cultural and academic cooperation in different areas is concerned, subsequent executive protocols will establish possible initiatives of mutual interest, exchange of scholars, joint research programmes and financial contributions.


Art. 4: Each Institution shall ensure, in compliance with its respective laws and regulations, the assistance and facilitations for scholars temporarily residing on its territory, under the provision of the agreement.

Art 5: This agreement subject to the approval of the competent authorities, according to the national laws of each institution, and will come in to force when the signatures by both rectors (the one of the University of Rome "Tor Vergata" and that of the Indian Institute Technology of Kharagpur) are affixed.


Art 6: This agreement shall remain in force for three years, and will be automatically renewed for an equal period barring communication expressed by either of the parties to withdraw at least three months before its expiry.

Art 7. An arbitrator's council, made up of a member chosen by each contracting party and a jointly chosen one, shall resolve any possible controversy concerning the interpretation and application of this agreement.

Art 8. Each institution will adhere to the intellectual laws of their respective nations. Intellectual property developed during the visit of an exchange student will be governed by the rules of the host institute unless otherwise specified by an alternate agreement. The two institutions shall jointly own results of clearly defined collaborative projects. Whenever one institution receives any information from the partner under a clearly defined non-disclosure agreement, necessary steps will be taken to protect the intellectual property received.



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