

GENERAL AGREEMENT
between
POLITECNICO DI TORINO
and
UNIVERSITY OF RIJEKA

BACKGROUND

The fundamental aspects of this agreement are based on the fact that:

- both institutions share common interests and objectives in the academic and cultural environment
- and that they intend to contribute to progress, goodwill and understanding between their countries, establishing a general framework for cooperation in research and education.

PREAMBLE

Politecnico di Torino with legal address in Turin, Italy, Corso Duca degli Abruzzi 24, represented in this deed by its Vice Rector for International Relations, Prof. Carlo Naldi, delegated to sign International Agreements by the Rector, Prof. Francesco Profumo with Rectoral Act n° 23 of 16 January 2006

and

University of Rijeka with legal address in Rijeka, Croatia, Trg braće Mažuranića 10, represented in this deed by its Rector, Academician Daniel Rukavina

hereby agree as follows:

Article 1. Aim

The aim of the present Agreement is to define the framework in which joint actions shall be taken by Politecnico di Torino, and the University of Rijeka to promote the exchange of persons, activities and experience in relevant areas of higher education and research.

Article 2. Nature of the Exchange

In order to develop joint actions in the faculties, schools, departments and research centers co-ordinated or annexed to them, both Politecnico di Torino and the University of Rijeka will promote:

- exchanges of students, Ph.D. students, researchers and faculty staff,
- study sessions, workshops and seminars on previously agreed subjects,
- exchanges of information, documentation and scientific publications,
- exchanges of students through visits or training periods in companies.

Article 3. Teaching

Both parties shall promote the exchange of students within the framework of specific co-operation agreements between their faculties and schools. These specific co-operation agreements may lead to the awarding of a double degree, or joint degree and, in accordance to the national legislation, joint PhD programs. To this end, they shall exchange all documents that may inform candidates about the study programs offered.

Article 4. Research

Both parties shall encourage co-operation between research groups. The aim of this co-operation is to promote the exchange and the discussion of advanced research projects. In this context, the exchange of doctoral students will occur according to conditions established by specific agreements.

Article 5. Financial Aids

Both parties agree to take action to obtain financial support for student exchanges under the bilateral or international programs or from other funding sources.

Article 6. Organization and Follow Up

In order to achieve the aim established in article 1, both parties shall appoint a person in charge of the co-operation. The parties shall consult each other as often as needed in order to pursue the aim of this Agreement.

Article 7. Financial obligations related to student mobility

- Both parties agree that the involved students will keep on paying tuition fees at the home institution only.
- Living and travel expenses, medical insurance costs in the Country of destination, other costs related to academic facilities delivered by external bodies (State, Region, etc) and possible further costs related to the management of the individual academic files will be charged directly to the students.
- Guest students will be allowed to apply for scholarships and grants offered by the Host University to its own students, without any discrimination.

Article 8. Insurance Coverage

Both parties agree to take action to facilitate arranging necessary insurance cover in case of sickness and accident of the persons taking part to the exchange under this Agreement.

Article 9 Duration of the Agreement

This Agreement will enter into force from the date of signature by both parties. It remains in effect for a term of three years and shall be automatically renewed for successive terms of one year unless terminated by either party with six months notice in writing. In this case, persons still engaged in activities begun before such notice was given shall retain all rights conferred under this agreement until the activity in question is ended.


In Torino,

Date: 27.01.2009

Vice Rector for International Relations

Politecnico di Torino

Prof. Carlo Naldi



In Rijeka,

Date: 14.01.2009.

Rector

University of Rijeka

Academician Daniel Rukavina




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