Agreement of Co-operation

between

THE UNIVERSITY OF PÉCS

(H-7633 Pécs, Szántó Kovács János utca 1/b., represented by rector Prof. Róbert Gábriel, ministry identification number: FI 58544)

and

THE UNIVERSITY OF RIJEKA

(HR-51000 Rijeka, Trg braće Mažuranića 10, represented by: rector Prof. Daniel Rukavina M.D., D.Sc.)

Preamble

The University of Rijeka (Croatia) and the University of Pécs (Hungary) hereby agree to establish and mutually support co-operative relationships, which will emphasise the development of collaborative educational projects. Both institutions will encourage direct contact and co-operation between their faculty members, departments, institutes and other research centres subject to the provisions of this agreement.

Article 1 The general forms of co-operation

Within the fields of mutual interests, Partners agree upon the following general forms of cooperation to be realized upon arising demand on the basis of concrete task-agreements:

- 1. Faculty exchanges for teaching and research.
- 2. Study and research carried out by the University of Rijeka faculty members and graduate (PhD) students at the University of Pécs.
- 3. Study and research carried out by University of Pécs faculty members and undergraduate (BA, BSc) and graduate (MA, MSc, PhD, DLA) students at the University of Rijeka.
- Joint organisation and sponsorship of courses, seminars, study tours, conferences and colloquia, and joint participation in each other's academic events.
- Joint research projects, including grant applications for governmental, EU or other funding.
- 6. Exchanges in the fields of sports, music, theatre, dance or any other artistic, athletic and cultural fields.
- 7. Administrative and professional staff internships and exchanges.

Article 2 Bilateral Mobility in Higher Education Programme

In addition to the above specified general forms of co-operation, the Partners hereby agree on to take part in a pilot programme that will facilitate the future participation of the University of Rijeka in the LLP/ERASMUS programme. All the details and provisions in connection with

this pilot programme will be laid down in the appendix of this Agreement of Co-operation which should be renewed annually.

Article 3 Liaison persons

Other areas of collaboration may be identified in the future and co-operative projects related to them may be developed between the Partners in the spirit of institutional friendship and educational, scientific and cultural co-operation. Prior approval of both universities is required for the initiation of any project to be developed and carried out under the terms of this agreement.

Each Partner is expected to name a liaison person who will be responsible for co-ordinating activities related to this agreement. On behalf of the University of Rijeka, the head of the International Relations Office shall be the liaison person. On behalf of the University of Pécs, the head of the International Relations Office shall be the liaison person.

Article 4 Terms and conditions

The terms and conditions of joint activities and the utilization of the results thereof, and the arrangements for specific visits, exchanges and other forms of co-operation will be negotiated for each specific activity. It is also understood that all arrangements for financial allocation need to be negotiated and agreed upon in writing for each specific case and will depend upon the availability of funding.

This agreement will become effective upon the date of signature by the representatives of the two institutions. Amendments may be incorporated with the mutual consent of the Partners. This agreement shall be subject to revision and re-negotiation at three-year intervals. Shall such a revision not take place, the agreement shall lapse without further notice.

The representative of either institution may terminate the agreement by a written notice. Such notice must be given at least six months before it becomes effective. Such termination shall not affect the rights of anybody exchanged under this agreement prior to the receipt of such a notice.

It is understood that this Agreement of Co-operation does not confer any legal right or obligations on either party. Both institutions subscribe to the policy of equal employment opportunity and do not discriminate on the basis of race, colour, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, national origin, marital or veteran status, or physical or mental handicap. The University of Rijeka and the University of Pécs shall abide by these principles in the administration of this agreement and neither institution shall impose criteria for the exchange of scholars or students which would violate the principles of non-discrimination.

Rijeka, Croatia – <u>20/11</u>, 2008 Pécs, Hungary – <u>6/11</u>, 2008

University of Rijeka

Prof. Daniel RUKAVINA, M.D.,D.Sc.

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