# GENERAL ACADEMIC COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF BUENOS AIRES AND THE UNIVERSITY OF RIJEKA

Between the University of Buenos Aires, represented by its Rector Dr. Alberto Barbieri, and the University of Rijeka represented by its Rector Prof. Snježana Prijić-Samaržija, PhD, this agreement is signed on the basis of the following statements and clauses:

## **Preliminaries**

- The University of Buenos Aires, founded in 1821, is an argentine public and autonomous Institution, whose aim, as Higher Education Institution, is to produce, transmit and preserve culture and knowledge.
- Founded in 1973, the University of Rijeka (UNIRI) has matured into a modern European university and center of excellence whose impact extends beyond the region. It is a research, science, and education oriented university that supports social and economic development in the community. By supporting scientific and artistic careers alike, enabling each individual to express their talents and entrepreneurial potential, UNIRI strives to be an open, student-centered, and inclusive European university.

#### **Statements**

# Both parties state that:

- Cooperation and complementation between Universities contribute to institutional development, increasing teaching skills and developing technological and cultural research.
- Exchange improves the capacity of extension services to the benefit of the communities each University belongs to.
- That the above-mentioned parties acknowledge each other as institutions with full capacity for signing this agreement, under the terms of the following clauses:

#### Clauses

## 1.- PURPOSE

- a) To promote graduate and undergraduate student mobility,
- b) To promote short term visiting professor programs aimed at delivering lectures, carrying out joint research and engaging in undergraduate and postgraduate courses,
- c) To jointly conduct studies and research projects on matters of mutual interests, resorting to external financial aid if applicable, with previous mutual agreement.
- d) To mutually provide non-confidential information concerning curricula, educational material and research outcomes.

#### 2.- INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

The previsions on intellectual rights shall be duly established in the corresponding specific agreements.

## 3.- CONFIDENTIALITY

Both parties will agree on the limits of confidentiality in the specific agreements which might be signed within the framework of this agreement. In addition, and in the event that confidential information is exchanged as a result of the established bonds, the parties agree on the non-disclosure and reserve of the methodological and scientific aspects pointed out as confidential by the parties, while this agreement is in force.

## 4.- INDIVIDUALITY AND AUTONOMY

The current Agreement does not imply further links between the parties other than the rights and obligations included in it, keeping each party its individuality and autonomy.

## 5.- NON-EXCLUSIVITY

The existence of the current Agreement does not limit in any way the right of the parties to celebrate similar agreements with other institutions.

#### 6.- USE OF THE LOGO

In any activities to be developed in the framework of this Agreement and/or its specific agreements, when relevant, the logo and/or isotype of both institutions shall be used, in accordance with their legislation.

#### 7.- FINANCING CLAUSE

The signing of the current Agreement does not imply a financial or budgetary commitment for either institution.

Nevertheless, and according to the possibilities of each academic institution, the following general principle shall apply for the academic mobility of teaching staff that may arise from this agreement: The sending party shall bear transportation expenses.

The hosting party shall bear lodging expenses.

Any other kind of financial or budgetary outlay shall be formalized through specific agreements to be signed between the parties.

#### 8.- DISPUTE SETTLEMENT

The parties agree to make all efforts to settle any disagreements that could arise from the fulfillment of the present agreement. If it is not feasible to provide a mutually agreed solution to such issues, they will be subject to the final decision of an ad hoc committee that will be composed of one member appointed by each of the parties, and a third party jointly nominated.

## 9.- LEGAL ADDRESS

It is established that for the validity of any legal and administrative notification the legal address of the University of Buenos Aires is Viamonte 430, Planta Baja, de la Ciudad Autónoma de Buenos Aires - Dirección de Mesa de Entradas, Salidas y Archivo del Rectorado y Consejo Superior.

The University of Rijeka establishes its legal address in Rijeka, Trg brace Mazuranica 10, 51000 Rijeka, Croatia, EU, Rector's Office.

## 10.- VALIDITY AND TERMINATION

This agreement will be in force for five (5) years from the date of its signature and its ratification by the corresponding authorities.

This agreement may be extended, provided the parties express their willingness to do so in writing, at least 6 months prior to the expiring date.

Nevertheless, either party may announce its intention to terminate this agreement unilaterally, without expression of cause, upon one month (30 days) written notice.

This does not entitle the parties to claim any reparation or compensation of any kind.

The ongoing activities will be completed within a year after the termination announcement, or within the limits permitted by the financial contribution made.

Both parties express their full compliance with each and every clause of this agreement and in acceptance they sign four (4) copies, two (2) in English, two (2) in Spanish with the same content

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