GENERAL MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
In relation to
ACADEMIC COOPERATION
BETWEEN
UNIVERSITY of RIJEKA
RIJEKA, CROATIA
and
JINAN UNIVERSITY
GUANGZHOU, CHINA

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (‘MOU’) between the University of Rijeka, Croatia (‘UNIRI’) and Jinan University, China (‘JNU’) is to foster academic exchange and cooperation between the two institutions in areas of interest and benefit to both institutions, hereinafter individually a “Party” and collectively the “Parties”.

Now therefore the Parties hereby agree upon the following terms and conditions:

1. Objectives

This MOU provides the framework for common action to be taken between the above-mentioned partners and/or their constituents. The aim is to promote the exchange of persons, experiences, and projects in the area of higher education and research.

2. Proposed collaborative activities

The two Parties will encourage the following activities in particular:
- the exchange of information and scientific publications;
- the exchange of students, professors, and researchers;
- the organization of meetings for study purposes as well as joint seminars on previously agreed upon topics;
- specified projects.

3. Subsequent Memoranda of Agreement

This MOU shall be identified as the parent document of any collaborative agreement executed between the Parties and/or their constituents. Any subsequent agreements are to be concluded with university constituents (faculties) as separate legal entities. In that case, such agreements would be considered independent agreements.
The activities specified in Clause 2 are to be carried out after mutual consultation and agreement in writing between the Parties. Each Party will sign a Memorandum of Agreement ('MOA') setting out the responsibilities and specific commitments of each Party for the agreed activity, student exchanges, and such other matters as the Parties agree are necessary for the efficient and effective achievement of the activity. Any such MOAs shall be attached as an annex to this MOU.

4. Coordinator

Each Party shall designate a coordinator to oversee and facilitate the implementation of this MOU who shall have the following responsibilities:

i) to promote academic collaboration;

ii) to act as principal contact;

iii) to liaise periodically to review and evaluate past activities and to discuss new ideas for future cooperative agreements.

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5. Renewal, Amendment, and Termination

This MOU shall come into force when it is signed by both contracting parties. It will remain valid for five (5) years from the date of the last signature. It can be renewed after verification of the activities developed during its duration and provided that the two Parties agree on renewal by written consent.

This MOU may be terminated by either of the Parties with six (6) months’ written notice. In this case, the agreement shall continue to be valid for any professors and students who may still be participating in the programme.

Any modification or amendment to this agreement shall be in writing and signed by the binding authorities of the Parties.
6. Legal effect
The terms of this MOU represent the current intentions of the Parties as at the time of signing and the terms are not legally binding on the Parties. For the avoidance of doubt, if there is any inconsistency between this MOU and any attached MOA relating to a specific activity, the terms and conditions of the MOA shall prevail.

7. No agency
Nothing in this MOU gives rise to a relationship of agency or partnership between the Parties and neither Party has the right or authority to act on behalf of the other Party or to bind the other Party in any way.

8. Resolution of Disputes
The Parties agree to make every reasonable effort to solve in a friendly manner any controversy arising from the interpretation of the present agreement.

9. Obligations
No financial obligations for either party shall arise out of this agreement.

The present agreement is written in English for two (2) copies of equal validity, one (1) copy remaining in the possession of each Party.

Signed for and on behalf of:
University of Rijeka
Rijeka, Croatia

Snejana PRIJIC-SAMARZIJ, Rector
University of Rijeka
Date: 5/12/2023

Signed for and on behalf of:
Jinan University
Guangzhou, China

Xianzhong SONG, President
Jinan University
Date: 5/12/2023