

IN THE NAME OF GOD



Yazd University , IRAN



G. d'Annunzio" University  
of Chieti-Pescara, ITALY

**MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION (MOC)**

**ON**

**EDUCATIONAL, RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATIONS**

**BETWEEN**

**YAZD UNIVERSITY, IRAN**

**AND**

**G. D'ANNUNZIO" UNIVERSITY OF CHIETI-PESCARA, ITALY**

Yazd University and G. d'Annunzio" University of Chieti-Pescara, hereinafter referred to as "YU" and "Ud'A", agree that they have an interest in developing and expanding the educational, research and technological cooperation between the two universities. The terms of cooperation are agreed as follow:

**Art. 1 - Target of Cooperation**

The Ud'A and YU intend to pursue the following teaching and/or research and/or education and training objectives:

**1. Didactic targets:**

To promote the exchange of teachers and students through the organization of courses, learning modules, workshops of analysis and urban and territorial design, degree laboratories, first and second level masters according to topics of common interest; to organize study visits in their Universities and in their respective Countries, also in

collaboration with other academic institutions, local government, public administration (regional and local) and professional associations; planning training remote courses (e-learning), exploration of architecture and urban planning, government risk and participation and more specifically, according to research topics listed below;

2. **Research targets:** Department of Architecture of University "G. d'Annunzio" has already had relations with Iran, in the past, even personal, for the activities carried out in the Country of Iran by some of its teachers. Ludovico Micara compiled, together with Ludovico Quaroni, in the 80s, the Yazd's Master Plan, and made interventions in the historic center of the city, now protected. More recently, some of the "G. d'Annunzio" University's students participated in some workshops in Iran, organized by "La Sapienza" University of Rome. The present cooperation project stems from recent activities developed in the margins of the cultural initiative, promoted by the Superintendence of Chieti, in cooperation with the Iranian Cultural Institute in Rome, which culminated in the show "Lands and peoples of wool" (July 2016). Later, Yazd University has promoted the signing of a Framework Agreement with University "G. d'Annunzio", again thanks to the initiative of the Institute of Iranian Culture. The educational and research project develops, in general terms, some of the topics already practiced in cooperation experiences above, regarding:

- The theme of the survey, the cure and the project of the historical city and landscape, even under the most recent international acquisitions (European Landscape Convention, Florence, 2000) and addresses in the field coming from the European Union;
- The themes of the policies of environmental protection and ecological progress of the territories, in the lines of sustainable and fair development;
- Support and advice for the development of systems of evaluation and self-evaluation of training and research, on the basis of ongoing experiences in their respective academic institutions;
- The theme of the right to the city and the reorganization, infrastructure and risk integral reduction in informal neighborhoods of the city, within a more general field of interest extended to other emerging market realities;
- The theme of the environmental infrastructure of cities and territories: both through the planning and design of the territories of the context of "environmental infrastructure" (rivers, parks, forests, ecological corridors, commercial) with support technology plays a supporting role in urban regeneration, and in the planning and design of traditional infrastructure (highways, viaducts, railways,

ports, freight villages), that are naturalizing, are integrating into the city and landscape and become complex networks that incorporate innovative features and service for the environment;

- The relations between universities, cities and territories, in particular with regard to the major cities of the country, as a possible field of research addressing the strategic role of University and education programs and regeneration equipment urban regeneration of cities, and as a measure of mitigation of spatial segregation and inclusion, and urban and social inequalities attenuation;
- The themes of living and the role that public space and social fixed assets are in the process of physical and social regeneration of cities;
- The theme of the active participation of the inhabitants and local stakeholders in the processes of transformation and urban regeneration, intended also as an opportunity for empowerment and capacity building and strengthening the capabilities of local communities (A. Sen, M. Nurmam).
- The theme of the project, the care and custody of the Commons urban actions around which to develop new forms of participatory and shared management of public administration, in the cities and territories understood themselves as a "Common Good" (E. Olstrom, S. Rodota).

3. **Job training targets:** To promote the exchange of experiences in the field of post-graduate education, including through the mobility of teachers and students enrolled in Master and PhD, and relating to permanent professional development, including through cooperation between Orders and professional associations of the respective Countries.

#### **Art. 2 Coordinators**

The coordinator for Ud'A is Prof. Piero Rovigatti and the coordinator of the YU (Iran) is Prof. Farhad Nejadkoorki.

#### **Art. 3 Settlements of costs**

The necessary costs for the exchange of personal role of the teacher, researcher, and administrative technician and for the mobility of students / trainees involved in achieving the objectives of this cooperation are divided as the following:

- The "hosted part" defrays travel expenses;
- The "hosting part" shall bear the costs of board and lodging.

#### **Art. 4 Insurance**

Each part must provide third party, accident and health insurance for its own full academic tenured staff, tenured technical administrative staff and undergraduate and post-graduate students who are undertaking mobility/are involved in exchange.

#### **Art. 5 Exemption from payment of university taxes and/or fees**

The parties state that the students / trainees involved in the Convention are exempt from paying taxes and university fees.

The "host part" shall bear the expenses related to their accommodation at hotels or accommodation facilities and meals at university or company canteens. If the financial situation permits, the "hosting part" may also grant, reimbursement, the costs related to subscription to public urban transport.

#### **Art. 6 Arbitration Clause**

Controversies shall be resolved, should they arise because of interpretation or in the course of execution of this MOC, or as a result of activities that are conducted as a part of project design, by an arbitration panel composed of one designated constituent of each party and another which has been selected by mutual cooperation; the panel shall be comprised by a total of four persons

#### **Art. 7 Duration of the Cooperation**

This MOC has a term of three years with effect since the date of signing.

The same MOC shall be automatically renewed for the period of the same duration unless formal notice notified by the concerned part to the Coordinator of the other Contracting part at least six months before the natural expiration or that resulting after automatic renewal.

In the event that the activities provided for in this Convention shall not have to be realized in three consecutive years since its signing, the same is to be considered automatically resolved.

#### **Art. 8 Implementation**

This MOC is done in 8 Articles and is to be considered fully implemented upon signing of the parties below, dated 20/11/2017 corresponding to 29/08/1396 Hijri Solar Year in English Language in Yazd, Iran.

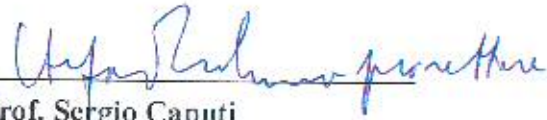
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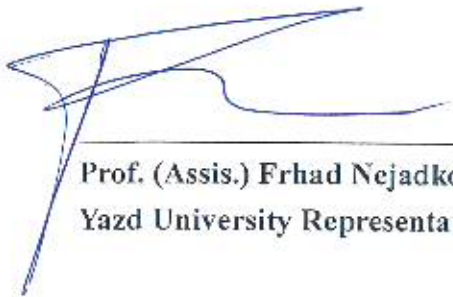
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