# AGREEMENT OF SCIENTIFIC AND DIDACTIC CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF MACERATA (ITALY), AND THE HUNAN UNIVERSITY (CHINA)

Granted that it is necessary for a University to have appropriate culture and scientific relations for the development of the institutional roles of teaching and research;

granted that for the above-mentioned aim it is necessary to favour and encourage direct cultural agreements between University level institutions belonging to different countries;

considering the mutual interest of the University of Macerata (Italy) and the Hunan University (China) establishing an adequate relationship for the development of studies and joint didactic activity in the field of Human, Social, Legal, Political, Economical Sciences and Language and Culture of respective country;

considering the current regulations in the countries and in particular as for as Italy is concerned, the D. P. R. 382/80, specifically at the art. 91 as modified by the art. 12 of the law 705/65 as well as the Ministerial decree of 10/02/1988 regarding international collaboration;

# **BETWEEN**

The **University of Macerata** (Italy), represented by prof. Luigi Lacchè, in the qualification of Rector, and the **Hunan University** (China) represented by Prof. Zhao Yueyu, in the qualification of Rector.

# IT IS AGREED AND STIPULATED AS FOLLOWS

Art. 1

The Universities signing this agreement propose to strengthen and extend exchange programmes and collaboration on research and teaching projects within the fields of each University.

To this, both Universities do here solemnly declare that they will work, both individually and together, to realise the aims of this agreement, and eventually, plan to extend them.

Art. 2

In order to achieve the aims stipulated in art. 1 the Universities, do jointly, and to their mutual advantage, undertake to promote and realise the following:

- a) plan and develop joint research and teaching programmes which aim at a comparative study of their respective cultures in the field of Human, Social, Legal, Political, Economical Sciences and Language and Culture of respective countries;
- b) regularly exchange publications and research material of each University on the programmes of collaboration;
- c) as far as possible, incorporate in the publications of each University work produced within the programmes of collaboration;
- d) jointly promote study groups, seminars, courses and conferences to take place in one of the involved Universities;
- e) exchange teaching staff, researchers and technicians with the aim of encouraging integrated teaching and research programmes;
  - f) set up students exchange and integrated study programmes for students.

The Universities resolve to exchange all useful information – also by means of publications – on the structure and organisation of the Universities themselves, in order to increase their mutual acquaintance.

Each party, in conformity with their own laws and regulations, will guarantee every form of assistance and facilities in their own country to the guests coming from the other University, according to this contract.

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The Rectory
Prof. Prof. Zhao yeyu

University of Macerata (Italy)
The Rector
Prof. Luigi Lacchè

Excluding any responsibility on the host University's part, prior to departure both Parties will take out appropriate insurance to cover medical assistance, accidents and any kind of aid considered necessary for teaching staff, research fellows, technicians and students involved in the mobility.

#### Art. 3

The Universities will begin an exchange of teachers, researchers, technicians, and students during the period of time in which the agreement is effective considering the qualification and formation of the involved personnel, the study programmes and the didactic and scientific needs of both Universities. The sending of committees and scholars is subjected to the approval of the other parties. In order to carry out the above, the Universities should notify each other the candidacy of the scholars and of the technicians with the visiting programme requested and the curriculum vitae et studiorum of each candidate at least two months beforehand.

Normally, with the exception of different understandings between the Parties, travel expenses, board and lodging will be charged to the forwarding University.

## Art. 4

The Universities undertake to encourage the students of the other University to participate in any course run by the Universities.

The students, given authorisation by their own University, will be able to choose a number of courses from those offered by the host University.

Each University will award visiting students a certificate of attendance, this will include courses followed and grades obtained.

The Universities will together decide the system of exams and grades to be adopted for the students attending joint programmes.

Recognition of exams or courses attended by the students will be regulated by the legislation of each country.

The Universities hereby agree that visiting students will be covered by the same insurance policy as students of the host University.

The University will leave open the possibility of awarding study grants to students from the other University.

# Art. 5

The resolution of any question may arise in the interpretation of the present agreement will lie with an arbitration committee made up of one member from each University and one other person agreed upon by both Universities.

# Art. 6

The agreement will last for 3 years, it comes into effect on its signing, it is renewable for the same duration in consequence of the behaviours expression of the will of the Parties.

The agreement may be dissolved by 3 months written notice to the other Party before the natural ending. This will cause no indemnification from the other Party.

The University of Macerata and the Hunan University jointly commit to raise funds to accomplish this agreement according to their respective laws and regulations.

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The Rector

Prof. Luigi Lacchè

Hunan, Apr. 18, 2013

**HUNAN UNIVERSITY** 

The Rector

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