



### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

## Between

# Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean

#### And

## University of Macerata

The Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean (PAM) and the University of Macerata (UniMC), hereinafter referred to as "Parties" to the Memorandum of Understanding:

Considering that PAM is an international parliamentary organization, and a Permanent Observer at the United Nations General Assembly, which brings together 34 member parliaments from the Euro-Mediterranean and Gulf regions to discuss the most pressing common challenges, such as regional conflicts, security and counterterrorism, humanitarian crises, economic integration, trade and investments, job creation, climate change, mass migrations, education, Human Rights, and inter-faith dialogue. Through PAM, its Members engage in productive discussions, share legislative experience, and work towards constructive approaches on key issues;

Considering that the mandate of UnIMC is also to provide high quality education at undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate level, among others, in the fields of law, economics, environmental sustainability, green economy, food security, international affairs, long-term economic development, labour market, migration, interculturalism, international cooperation and sustainable growth;

*Recognising* the complementarity of the Parties' activities and the opportunities for collaboration in the countries of the Euro-Mediterranean and Gulf region;

*Encouraging* the establishment of cooperation between the Parties, and thereby developing the capacity of each institution to achieve its purpose and functions;

Agree and stipulate the following Memorandum of Understanding (MOU):

## ARTICLE I - PURPOSE

The aim of the MOU between the Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean and the University of Macerata is to establish the conditions of a scientific cooperation between the Parties.

All activities carried out under this MoU are subject to their inclusion in the respective work programmes and budgets of the Parties and to the availability of funds. They shall be carried out in accordance with their respective standards and practices.

### ARTICLE II - AREAS OF SCIENTIFIC CO-OPERATION

The cooperation of the Parties will focus on a number of substantive areas with the objective of promoting sustainable and inclusive growth in the Mediterranean region. Areas of scientific cooperation include, and are not limited to, international affairs, economics, law, environmental sciences, conservation of natural resources, food security, water, energy, sustainable development and tourism.

#### ARTICLE III - FORMS OF CO-OPERATION

The Parties may cooperate by various means, which may include, but shall not be limited to, the following

- Organization of joint events and seminars;
- Drafting and dissemination of joint research and policy analyses;
- Cooperation in training activities;
- PAM participation in the activities of UniMC;
- Participation of UniMC in the activities of the PAM Academic Platform;

The partnership will facilitate internships and training opportunities for students of UniMC at the PAM Study Centre in San Marino, according to the selection rules established by PAM.

The activities to be initiated in order to realize cooperation may be determined in each case through particular exchanges of letters, in accordance with the rules and regulations of each Institution, and subject to availability of funds for each Party.

# ARTICLE VI - ENTRY INTO FORCE AND TERMINATION

The MOU shall take effect after each Party has signed it and has exchanged signed copies.

This MOU shall be valid for **five years** after which time it may be renewed by the two Parties. Should one of the Parties wish to terminate the agreement, notice of this should be given in writing at least six months prior to termination.

In such a case, the Parties will agree, where appropriate, on the steps to be taken to ensure that activities initiated under the MOU are brought to a rapid and orderly conclusion.

# ARTICLE VII - AMENDMENTS

Any amendment to this MOU shall be subject to the written approval of both Parties.

# ARTICLE VIII - SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

Any dispute arising out of or relating to the interpretation or application of any provision of this MOU shall be settled cordially by consultation or similar means.

# ARTICLE IX - NATURE OF THE MEMORANDUM

This MOU reflects the views and intentions of the Parties, expressed in good faith but without creating any legal obligation or assuming any responsibility on the part of either Party. No third party shall obtain any legal benefit from this document.

# ARTICLE X - STATUS OF THE PARTIES

Nothing in this Memorandum of Understanding shall be interpreted as a waiver of the privileges and diplomatic immunities enjoyed by PAM as an international organisation.

# ARTICLE XI – KEY POINTS OF CONTACT

For UniMC, representative with overall responsibility for ensuring the implementation of this MOU, including the formulation of work plans for activities to be undertaken under it, and for facilitating information sharing and mutual understanding is Prof. Andrea Caligiuri. For PAM, it shall be Mr Marco Mura.

Each Party shall duly notify the other of the name of its representative in the event of a replacement.

This MOU is issued in two original copies in the English language.

Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean	University of Macerata
Hon. Gennaro Migliore	Prof. Francesco Adornato
President	Rector
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