



**CULTURAL CO-OPERATION FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT
BETWEEN ROMA TRE UNIVERSITY
AND
DAMASCUS UNIVERSITY**

The rector of the Università degli Studi Roma Tre (Roma Tre University), Prof. Guido Fabiani, and the president of Damascus University, Dr. Wael Mua'lla envisage in cultural and scientific relations among universities a necessary and important tool for the advancement of knowledge and its dissemination.

According to this belief and in the areas deemed of mutual interest for prospective co-operation, the parties intend to promote one or more of the following actions which will be regulated from time to time in separate and more specific agreements attached to this agreement and signed by the presidents of both institutions.

The content of this agreement shall be considered by each party as a declaration of intents which commits the parties exclusively to those initiatives that are agreed in the specific agreements.

Among the possible actions, they agree on:

1. Cultural and Scientific Co-operation which shall imply:

- 1.1. The mobility of researchers and teachers of both institutions;
- 1.2. The mobility of young researchers, eventually granted, involved in post-graduate programs;
- 1.3. The exchange of scientific material.

2. Co-operation in the study programs of the students enrolled in both institutions which shall imply:

- 2.1. The mobility of students according to a plan which shall specify the number of students, enrolment procedures and financial conditions, the possible grants and other related issues.
- 2.2. The mobility of teachers in the framework of agreed training projects;



3. Joint Participation:

- 3.1. In programs promoted by the European Commission or by other bodies or foundations;
- 3.2. In the co-ordination of proposals aimed at the acquisition of funds for the realization of structures and for the implementation of research and/or training projects.
- 3.3. In the drawing up of common study programs aiming at double or joint degrees.

This agreement shall be in force for 3 years once signed by both parties. The parties shall notice in writing, prior to the expiry date, the intention to renew or to terminate the agreement.

The terms and conditions of this agreement, as well as those of the specific agreements related to it, must conform to the laws and statutes regulating both institutions, and especially those related to the exchange of students and academic staff members, joint degree programs and intellectual property rights. The parties will not be obliged to respect the commitments resulting from the specific agreements which could contravene this principle.

Neither party will discriminate on the basis of race, colour, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, military status or national origin, under the condition that this does not interfere with the national interests of both countries.

This agreement is drawn up in six copies, two in Italian, two in Arabic and two in English, each of these texts being equally authentic. Both parties will receive a copy in each language. All misinterpretations will be settled by mutual assent.

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