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**Agreement of the establishment of postgraduate education in environmental studies  
PhD in Environmental Science and Engineering**

**entered into by**

the President of the University of La Verne, Athens Campus (Greece), hereafter referred to as ULV, represented by Professor Craig Sexson

the Rector of the University of Aveiro (Portugal), hereafter referred to as UA, represented by Professor Julio Pedrosa

the Rector of the University of Cagliari (Italy), hereafter referred to as UNICA, represented by Professor Pasquale Mistretta

ULV declares

- A. That it is an institution established in 1975 as an overseas branch of the University of La Verne, founded in 1891 in La Verne, California. ULV Athens offers undergraduate and graduate courses through an academic program based on the American liberal arts tradition. Its student body comprises nearly 1,000 students from more than 35 nations, who are consequently diverse in age, religious background, and ethnic and national origin. The majority of its faculty and administrators hold higher degrees from American universities.
- B. That in order to accomplish its mission, it is organised into the College of Arts and Sciences and the School of Business and Global Studies. Students attending the Athens campus are provided with the unique opportunity to pursue an American education in a historically rich cultural setting among an internationally diverse student body. Instruction is in English. A library and laboratories are available.

UA declares

- A. That it is an institution created in 1973 to impart higher Education and to plan and carry out research programs for the purpose of preservation and extension of knowledge, including the awarding of advanced degrees at the B.S., M.S., and PhD level.
- B. That in order to accomplish its mission, it is organised into the Department of Biology, Department of Ceramics and Glass Engineering, Department of Chemistry, Department of Civil Engineering, Department of Communication and Art, Department of Didactics and Education Technology, Department of Education Sciences, Department of Electronics and Telecommunications, Department of Economy, Management and Industrial Engineering, Department of Environment and Planning, Department of Geosciences, Department of Languages and Cultures, Department of Mathematics, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Department of Physics, Department of Social, Juridical and Political Sciences, School of Health Sciences, Higher School of Management and Technology, Higher Institute of Accounting and Administration and Viseu University College.
- C. That active participation in international education and research programmes is in accord with its internal policy, and that this international dimension is particularly relevant for environmental issues, which have become supra-national, therefore requiring joint development of scientific and technological knowledge, based on innovative approaches.

UNICA declares

- A. That it is an institution created in 1607 to impart higher education and to plan and carry out research programs for the purpose of preservation and extension of knowledge, including the awarding of advanced degrees at the B.S., M.S., and PhD level.
- B. That in order to accomplish its mission, it is organised into the Faculty of Law, the Faculty of Political Sciences, the Faculty of Economics and Commerce, the Faculty of Philosophy, the Faculty



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of Education, the Faculty of Medicine and Surgery, the Faculty of Mathematics, Physics and Natural Sciences, the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences and the Faculty of Engineering.

- C. That the project for the establishment of a International PhD Degree in Environmental Science and Engineering coordinated by Professor Giacomo Cao was approved by the Ministry of the University and the Scientific and Technological Research (MURST) of the Italian Government in the framework of the Three Year Plan 1998 – 2000 indicated as Internationalisation.

Under the premises:

- A. That the institutions are united by common interests and objectives in academic, scientific and cultural affairs;
- B. That these Institution are the ones which by reason of their essence, ends and objectives are called upon to establish channels of communication that will facilitate intellectual interaction;
- C. That for the above reasons, the Institutions believe it is advantageous to promote their academic ties by entering into an academic, scientific and cultural Cooperation Agreement;
- D. That, because of mutual benefits to the Institutions in the advancement of graduate research and education through the scholarly educational, scientific, technological and cultural contribution of each, it is appropriate and advantageous to the Institutions to enter into this Cooperation Agreement.

The terms agreed upon are:

**Art.1** The objective of the present Agreement is to increase the academic, scientific and cultural relations among ULV, UA and UNICA in identified areas, such as Environmental Science and Engineering where there is a mutual interest in establishing specific working Cooperation Agreement.

**Art. 2** The objective of the present Agreement is to establish a postgraduate education in environmental studies, e.g. PhD Degree in Environmental Science and Engineering awarded by the three Institutions.

**Art. 3** Under this general Agreement, each institution designate the following employed personnel who will serve as program leaders for the Agreement:

Professor Georgia Valaoras for ULV  
Professor Carlos Borrego for UA  
Professor Giacomo Cao for UNICA

**Art. 4** The program leaders will be responsible for the developing of a common post graduate education, i.e. a PhD program plan, including a description of the work and activities to be undertaken.

**Art. 5** The Agreement obliges, in and of itself, the Institutions to commit the human, material and financial resources required for the execution of the program in accordance with high quality standards. In particular, the Agreement obliges, in and of itself, the Institutions to the following financial expenditures:

UNICA 50.000.000 Italian Liras

UNICA 220.000.000 Italian Liras through the financial support of MURST given to the approved project for the establishment of an International PhD Degree in Environmental Science and Engineering submitted by Professor Giacomo Cao.

UA is willing to allocate an initial budget to launch the present Cooperation Agreement, being revised during the second year.

ULV is applying for funds to realize this program.

**Art 6.** Access to emergency medical care for teacher and graduate students will be based on the health care programs available at the host Institution.

Each Institution will take steps to:

- A. Publicise the opportunities available under this Agreement of Cooperation and promote the development of Cooperation;
- B. Assist faculty, staff and attendants with the administrative details of interchange

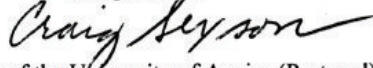
**Art 7.** The Institutions, under the auspices of this Agreement, may jointly sponsor Conferences, short courses, regular courses, seminars and symposia, as well as exchange publications and other didactic and research materials.

**Art. 8** The present Agreement is for three (3) years, and it or any of its parts may be modified or terminated by written consent of all parties who will comply with the obligations, which might be in effect on the date of termination

**Art. 9.** Regularly employed personnel, while involved in this Agreement of Cooperation, remain subject to the rules and regulations of their own Institution in all matters of employment, benefits, medical and life insurance, employee rights.

The President of the University of La Verne, Athens (Greece)

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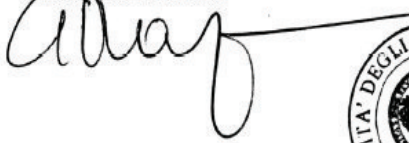
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