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**AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION**

**BETWEEN**

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which have agreed as follows:

- Considering the scientific and teaching collaboration between the Universities involved
- Considering the common scientific interests in the filed of Information Sciences

- Considering the cooperation and the cultural exchanges between Italy and Croatia
- With the aim to enhance the mobility, increasing the possibilities for students to study at the Universities involved in this project.

the parties will cooperate in order to realise a Joint Graduate Programme in the Field of Information Sciences having title “Written Heritage in a Digital Environment” and agree to submit to their own Academic Authorities the present Cooperation Agreement and Study Programme prepared.

#### Art. 1 Objectives

The aim of the present agreement is to carry out an International Joint Graduate Programme in the field of Information Sciences having title “Written Heritage in a Digital Environment”.

#### Art. 2 - Administration and Joint Graduate Programme Committee

The Parties at the very beginning of the Joint Graduate Programme will establish common rules to define general and detailed criteria of the Programme.

The Joint Graduate Programme will be co-ordinated by a Coordinator named by the Joint Graduate Programme Committee.

The Joint Graduate Programme Committee will be constituted by the professors involved in the Programme coming from each of the partner Universities. Each Joint Graduate Programme Committee member will take the responsibility to supervise the activities of the assigned students.

The Joint Graduate Programme Committee will also evaluate the research activities carried out by the students; these activities will be carried out partially in the University of provenience and partially in the computer laboratory of one (or more) of the partner Universities, according to a programme which has to be approved by the Joint Graduate Programme Committee.

#### Art. 3 – Financing

The Universities agree to submit a proposal to European Commission, or any other national and international institutions, which will involve the Universities of Parma (Italy), Osijek and Zadar (Croatia). The grant will support the expenses for the organisation of the Programme, and for the mobility of students, professors, administrations, and computer technicians from the involved Universities.

In regard of the administration expenses each University will provide to pay its own expenses.

#### Art. 4 –Length

The Joint Graduate Programme has a length of two years (120 ECTS) and it will end with a presentation of a Master Thesis.

#### Art. 5 – Enrolment in the International Doctorate

The enrolment of students in the International Joint Graduate Programme will be done throughout a public call with written and oral exams taken at respective universities, according to their respective rules.

In order to be enrolled it is necessary to have obtained a BA level degree or homologue academic degree recognized by the Academic Authorities in each country. In case the degree obtained abroad should not have been already recognised, the Joint Graduate Programme Committee will decide if the titles are suitable for the enrolment in the Joint Graduate Programme. There are no limits of age.

#### Art. 6 – Insurance

The Parties will provide to cover the enrolled students with an insurance, according to its own rules.

#### Art. 7 – Instruction

The Joint Graduate Programme will recognise the student activities on the basis of a credit system as required by the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS).

The total number of credits for each year will be 60 ECTS; each credit is the equivalent of 25-30 hours of student standard work. In special cases, based on the student request and after Joint Graduate Programme Committee certification, the acquired credits can be recognised, although insufficient for obtaining the title of “Master”.

In order to be eligible for the Master title, students must have acquired a total of 120 credits (60 per year) and discuss a final thesis.

The thesis will be an elaboration of research activities carried out under the supervision of a professor which will be the student tutor.

#### Art. 8 – Thesis

The Thesis must be written in English and completed by an abstract in Croatian or Italian language.

The thesis has to be submitted to each University participating to the present Programme. The defence will be held in English at the University of provenience, and it will be evaluated by an international jury.

At the end of the defence, the student will obtain the joint title of “Master”, and it will be in national language. The title will say “Master in Information Sciences”.

#### Art. 9 – Termination of the contract

The termination of the contract in case of discharge or failure in the contractual obligations by the Universities, except this is not due to *vis maior*, will be assigned to an arbitration board constituted by a member designated by each of the Universities and one member chosen in common.

Art. 10 – General conditions

For what not specified in the present agreement the Parties will refer to their national rules or supplementary agreements.

The present Agreement, drawn up in three originals, is read and approved and subsequently endorsed by the interested Parties.

For Università degli Studi  
di Parma  
The legal representative  
Prof. ....  
Rector

For University J. J.  
Strossmayer in Osijek  
The legal representative  
Prof. ....  
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For the University in Zadar  
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