



## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF CASSINO AND THE SOUTHERN LAZIO, ITALY AND SANTA CATARINA STATE UNIVERSITY (UDESC)

This agreement is established to promote collaborative academic and cultural interchange between the University of Cassino and Southern Lazio, Italy on behalf of acting Rector Marco Dell'Isola from the one side, and the Santa Catarina University on behalf of acting Rector Dilmar Baretta.

Wishing to enhance relations between our institutions and develop academic and cultural interchange in the areas of education, research and other activities, the Università di Cassino and Southern Lazio (Italy), and Santa Catarina University (UDESC) hereby agree to cooperate and work together towards the internationalization of higher education.

The areas of cooperation will include any program offered at each institution, which is determined to be desirable and feasible for the achievement of these objectives. However, any specific program shall be subject to the availability of funds and the mutual agreement of the institutions. Such programs may include:

- a. Exchange of students
- b. Exchange of department members
- c. Exchange of administrative staff
- d. Joint study programmes
- e. Joint research projects
- f. Joint cultural programs

Each institution nominates a program coordinator to act as a contact person for the other institution, and to ensure that the terms of this exchange program are carried out. Each institution may nominate a successor to, or replacement of, its coordinator, giving notice in writing to the other partner.

The program coordinator for the Università degli Studi di Cassino e del Lazio Meridionale is prof. Alessandra Sannella. The program coordinator for the University of Santa Catarina University the dean of international affairs.

The terms of such mutual assistance and cooperation shall be discussed and agreed upon in writing by the appropriate responsible officers of the parties prior to the implementation of any particular program or activity.

Neither party claims, by virtue of this agreement, any right or legal interest in existing or pending intellectual property, including patents, trademarks, copyright, design patents or other rights of the other party or in any intellectual property that might result from the other party's prior activities.

This agreement will be effective upon its mutual endorsement and remain in effect for a period of five (5) years. Renewal may be negotiated during the final year of the agreement. In the event that the agreement is not renewed, any research or related activities in progress at the point of termination will continue until the agreed scope of work has been completed. However, the agreement may be terminated by either Party at the end of any academic year upon sixty (60) days written notice. The agreement may also be amended or extended by mutual consent of the Parties.

Each Party, remains liable for all risks of personal injury and property damage caused by negligent acts or omissions of that Party, but subject to all applicable immunities granted by law to either Party. Each Party shall be deemed as an independent contractor and not liable for acts of the other, nor shall they be liable for the acts of any other participants in the exchange.

Both parties declare and agree that they practise non-discrimination<sup>1</sup> and hence favour equal opportunities.

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<sup>1</sup> l.e. race, gender, religion, nationality, height, weight and physical impairment.



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