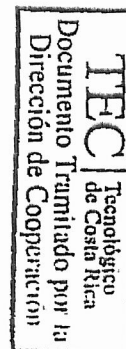


**LETTER OF AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF
AGRICULTURAL AND FOOD SCIENCES OF THE "ALMA MATER STUDIORUM" -
UNIVERSITY OF BOLOGNA
AND THE INSTITUTO TECNOLÓGICO DE COSTA RICA**

The School/Department of Agricultural and Food Sciences and the School/Department of Management of the University of Bologna in Italy, represented by Prof. Leonardo Nanni Costa, Director of the Department of Agricultural and Food Sciences and Prof. Carlo Boschetti, Director of the Department of Management; and the Instituto Tecnológico de Costa Rica, in Costa Rica, with legal certificate number 4-000-042145-07, represented by its President Julio Calvo Alvarado, PhD in Natural Resources, identification number 1-639-541, agree to the following:



ARTICLE 1

This agreement is made by the Department/ School of Agricultural and Food Sciences of the University of Bologna and the Agribusiness School of the Instituto Tecnológico de Costa Rica in order to promote cooperation in the field of research and teaching and to encourage scientific, artistic and cultural projects of mutual interest.

ARTICLE 2

Co-operation between the two Departments/ Schools may include:

- a) the conduct of research projects of mutual interest;
- b) exchange visits of faculty members and researchers in order to carry out research and consultations and to encourage the training of scientific personnel;
- c) the organization of joint seminars, symposia and discussions on topics of common interest;
- d) the exchange of students of all cycles, including doctoral.

ARTICLE 3

The Department/ School of Agricultural and Food Sciences of the University of Bologna and the Agribusiness School of the Instituto Tecnológico de Costa Rica, agree that each Department/ School will provide their own faculty members and researchers with travel and accommodation costs, depending on the effective availability of funds.

The Institutions acknowledge that, in the absence of any specific agreement to the contrary, all expenses related to the insurance, and the salary of the faculty members and researchers will be the responsibility of the visitor's home institution.

ARTICLE 4

Visiting staff must have a health, accident and third party liability insurance coverage, which must be valid throughout their period of stay in the host country and host university.

ARTICLE 5

The two Universities mutually undertake to:

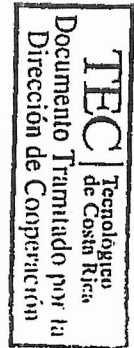
- facilitate the recognition of qualifications issued by the partner university in order to promote registration and enrolment procedures for students from partner universities wishing to continue



studies at another university, avoiding the need to produce superfluous administrative documents. This will in any case be done in compliance with the statutory requirements of both countries;

- take any other measures to facilitate student registration/enrolment procedures and the recognition of prior university studies.

- facilitate the dissemination of information and guidance on the opportunities for continuing studies in the partner institutions and the availability of scholarships and national and international funding available to students, assistant professors, professors, technical and administrative staff for mobility between the two institutions for the development of projects and joint initiatives.



ARTICLE 6

Each University will appoint a co-ordinator for the exchange program, represented normally by the principal of each Department/School-

ARTICLE 7

The resolution of any dispute that may rise in relation to the present agreement will be amicably settled by the parties.

ARTICLE 8

The present agreement is valid for a period of five years. Either party will be able to express its intentions to withdraw by giving a 6 month written notice to that effect.

The terms of this Agreement may be revised or modified at any time through a joint review made by both Institutions. No revision or modification shall come into effect until both Institutions sign a letter formally approving the revision or modification.



Date 03/23/17

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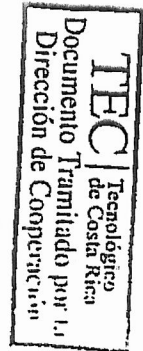
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FOR STUDENT MOBILITY**



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ARTICLE 1

The two Universities undersign this agreement in order to promote the exchange of students of the first (undergraduate) and of the second (graduate) cycle. The exchange of doctoral/PhD students may also be carried out, but it will be negotiated and agreed upon in writing, on a case-by case basis. In any case, doctoral/PhD students taking part in the exchange will benefit from tuition fee waiver.

ARTICLE 2

The two Departments/ Schools shall exchange not more than one student each full academic year (one per semester). The institutions undertake to balance the numbers of students from each institution over the term of the Agreement. With the agreement of the host institution the number of student exchanges in a particular year may exceed two where it is necessary to "balance" the numbers of exchange students.

ARTICLE 3

Provided they have paid the appropriate fees to their home institution, exchange students shall not be required to pay examination, matriculation or tuition fees to their host institution. Exchange students shall, however, be responsible for any other cost such travel expenses, cost of textbooks, field trips (if any) and other optional course charges.

ARTICLE 4

The minimum length of the study abroad period is one month in case of a thesis proposal or revision, and three months for other types of mobility which may be extended, as a maximum length, to one semester, or the required period for PhD Students depending on the case-by-case basis negotiation and agreement for that particular case.

ARTICLE 5

Exchange students shall continue as candidates for degree at their home University and cannot be candidate for degree at the host University. Exchange students, by the time and until the end of enrolment abroad, cannot get their final degree at their home University.

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ARTICLE 6

The host institution shall evaluate the academic performance of each exchange student according to its rules and shall send the home institution the academic record/transcript of each exchange student. The home institution undertakes to recognize courses taken and exams passed at the host university by exchange students according to its own regulation.

ARTICLE 7

Each University shall appoint a co-ordinator for the exchange program. Exchange students will be selected initially by the home institutions, and the host institution will make the final admission decisions in each case.

ARTICLE 8

Each exchange student will have the possibility to plan the study program to be carried out at the host institution with the help of academic advisors of both the home and host institutions. Depending on the study course, language and/or other prerequisites may be imposed in accordance with the regulations of the host institution. Exchange students will normally be permitted to enter courses unless these courses are subject to limited enrolments. Topics related to Sustainable Agri-food Value Chains, Food Security, Agribusiness, Food processing, Food Loss and Waste Prevention and related disciplines will be of interest for the exchanges.

ARTICLE 9

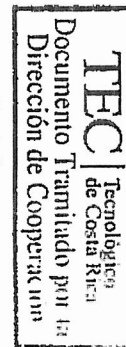
Exchange students will meet all requirements of the host country with regards to immigration, including arrangements for their families and dependents, if necessary. Each institution agrees that the laws of the host country will be applied in relation to any matter concerning:

- 1) The parties obligations with regards to the exchange program defined by the present agreement
- 2) Provision of educational services to students by the Host institution
- 3) Privacy or protection of personal data of the exchange students

Exchange students will guarantee that they keep their host institution fully informed about their movements and their contact details during the period of their exchange. The host institution will act as a point of contact for the exchange students.

ARTICLE 10

Exchange students must have a health, accident and civil liability insurance coverage, which must be valid throughout for the period of stay in the host country and at the host institution. Exchange students shall be responsible for their own expenses, including travel expenses, food, accommodation costs, and health care fees. The host institution will assist the exchange student to find initial accommodation wherever necessary.

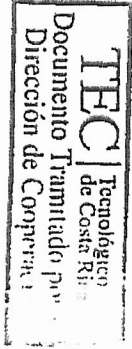


ARTICLE 11

This agreement shall enter into force upon signing by the last party and will be valid for a period of five years. Each of the two parties will be able to withdraw by giving a 6 month written notice to that effect. In the absence of such an early termination, the renewal of this Agreement shall be reviewed by the two institutions no less than six months prior to the natural termination of the current Agreement

If one of the parties wish to withdraw from the Agreement, the host institution will honour the terms of it with regards to student mobility that has been arranged before the interruption, as if the Agreement was still in force.

The terms of this Agreement may be revised or modified at any time through a joint review made by both institutions. No revision or modification shall come into effect until both institutions sign a letter formally approving the revision or modification.



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