

**AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION
BETWEEN
THE FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE of the
ALMA MATER STUDIORUM-UNIVERSITY OF BOLOGNA
AND
THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY of the
THAMMASAT UNIVERSITY OF BANGKOK**

The Faculty of Agriculture of the Alma Mater Studiorum-University of Bologna (Italy), represented by its Dean, and the Faculty of Science and Technology of the Thammasat University of Bangkok (Thailand), represented by its Dean, agree to the following:

ARTICLE 1

This agreement is made by the Faculty of Agriculture of the Alma Mater Studiorum-University of Bologna and the Faculty of Science and Technology of the Thammasat University of Bangkok in order to facilitate and to enhance the academic cooperation in the field of training, research, curriculum development, postgraduate education, quality assurance, institutional development, information dissemination and exchange of students, faculty, clerical and technical staff.

ARTICLE 2

Co-operation between the two Faculties may include:

- a) the realization of research projects of mutual interest;
- b) exchange visits of faculty members and researchers 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;
- e) cooperation for joint supervision of theses;
- f) exchange of scholarly publications and information in areas of mutual interest to faculty in the two institutions;
- g) the development of common curricula for future post-graduate degree programs of mutual interest.

ARTICLE 3

The Faculty of Agriculture of the Alma Mater Studiorum-University of Bologna and the Faculty of Science and Technology of the Thammasat University of Bangkok agree that each Faculty will plan to provide their own members and researchers with travel funds while the Host University will cover the board and lodging cost, except in case of different written agreements between the staff promoting the exchange.

The faculty members and the researchers participating in said exchange, during their period at the hosting University to carry out the above-mentioned activities, will be considered as staff "on a mission" abroad.

ARTICLE 4

Visiting staff will need a personal and third party insurance policy for appropriate accident coverage during their stay.

ARTICLE 5

Each Faculty will appoint a coordinator for the exchange program.

ARTICLE 6

The resolution of possible controversies on the interpretation and the performance of such agreement will be devolved to an arbitration board made by a member of each Faculty and a third member chosen by mutual consent.

ARTICLE 7

The present agreement is valid for a period of three year, it is tacitly renewed year by year, meanwhile each party will be able to express its intentions to withdraw by giving a 6 months written notice to that effect before its expiration.

Date.....13/12/2007

The Dean of the
Faculty of Agriculture of the
Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna

Date..25/12/2007.

The Dean of the
Faculty of Science and Technology of the
Thammasat University of Bangkok

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**ADDENDUM TO THE AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION BETWEEN
THE FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE of the
ALMA MATER STUDIORUM-UNIVERSITY OF BOLOGNA
AND
THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY of the
THAMMASAT UNIVERSITY OF BANGKOK
FOR STUDENT MOBILITY**

The Faculty of Agriculture of the Alma Mater Studiorum-University of Bologna (Italy), represented by its Dean, and the Faculty of Science and Technology of the Thammasat University of Bangkok (Thailand), represented by its Dean, agree to the following:

ARTICLE 1

The two Faculties enter into this agreement in order to promote the exchange of students

ARTICLE 2

The two Faculties shall exchange not more than four students each academic year. 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 four 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 fees, matriculation fees or tuition fees to their host institution. Exchange students shall, however, be responsible for any other cost such as the cost of textbooks, field trips (if any) and other optional course charges.

ARTICLE 4

The minimum length of the study abroad period is one semester, which may be extended, as a maximum length, to another semester.

ARTICLE 5

Participating students shall normally continue as candidates for degrees at their home University and shall not be candidates for degrees at the host University. Participating students, by the time and until the end of enrolment abroad, can not get their final degree at their home University.

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 to its own regulation.

ARTICLE 7

Each Faculty shall appoint a co-ordinator for the exchange program. The students participating in the exchange program under the terms of this Agreement shall be selected initially by the home institutions, and the host institution shall make the final admission decisions in each case.

ARTICLE 8

Each exchange student shall determine the study program at the host institution in consultation with academic advisors of both the home and host institutions. Depending on the study course, language

requirements 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 enrollments.

ARTICLE 9

Exchange students will meet all requirements of the host country as regards immigration, including where appropriate, arrangements for their families and dependents. Each institution agrees that the laws of the host country will apply in relation to any matter concerning:

- a) The parties respective obligation in connection with a program negotiated with the Host institution under this agreement
- b) Provision of educational services to students by the Host institution, and
- c) Privacy or protection of personal information of the student enrolled with the Host institution.

Exchange students shall ensure that they keep their host institution fully informed of their movements and their contact details during the period of their exchange. The host institution will act as the point of contact with the student.

ARTICLE 10

Exchange students shall take out comprehensive health insurance which is valid in the host country and host institution during the period of stay. 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 on the date of its signing by both institutions and is valid for a period of three years. Each of the two parties shall be able to withdraw by forwarding a 6 months prior 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.

In the event that either party terminates the Agreement, the host institution shall honour the terms of the Agreement for students whose exchange has been approved prior to termination, as if the Agreement remained in force for the period of exchange.

The terms of this Agreement may be revised or modified at any time through joint review and recommendation by both institutions. No revision or modification shall come into effect until such time as both institutions have signed a letter agreeing to the revision or modification.

Date.....

13/10/2007

Date...25/12/2007...

The Dean of the
Faculty of Agriculture of the
Alma Mater Studiorum-University of Bologna

The Dean of the
Faculty of Science and Technology of the
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