AGREEMENT OF ACADEMIC COOPERATION

between:

THE UNIVERSITY OF RIJEKA Trg braće Mažuranića 10, HR-51000 Rijeka, Croatia

and

THE KARL FRANZ UNIVERSITY, GRAZ Universitätsplatz 3, A - 8010 Graz, Austria

The University of Rijeka, Trg braće Mažuranića 10, HR-51000 Rijeka, and the Karl Franz University Graz, Universitätsplatz 3, A - 8010 Graz, agree to initiate and promote the academic linkage between their respective institutions in this agreement.

The parties mutually agree to build collaborative efforts through this agreement of academic cooperation.

With this agreement of academic cooperation the parties wish to encourage collaborative science research enhancing the academic education and development of both parties.

The parties agree on the following:

- 1. The cooperation between parties shall be carried out, on the basis of reciprocity and approval from both parties, through activities such as:
 - Joint research projects
 - Development of study programmes
 - Joint application for projects
 - Exchange of staff members
 - Exchange of students
 - Participations in seminars and academic meetings.
- 2. The cooperation will in each case depend upon the availability of funds, either from the parties' own resources or from other, external sources. Both parties, separately or jointly, will try to obtain resources from national and international sources to further advance this cooperation.
- 3. The areas of cooperation may include any research programme offered by either party, considered as desirable and likely to contribute to the mission and effectiveness of either party and/or fostering of the cooperative relationship between the parties.
- 4. The terms and necessary budget of each programme and activity will be described in letters of agreement which will be prepared subsequent to this agreement and signed by both parties prior to the beginning of cooperative activities. Each programme and activity will be negotiated on an annual basis.

- 5. In each letter of agreement concerning an exchange programme or collaborative research, the following items should be specified:
 - Aims of the exchange or collaborative research
 - Requirements concerning affiliation of guests or students to the host institutions
 - Duration of exchange or collaborative research
 - Facilities offered by each institution.
- 6. Concerning exchange programmes and collaborative research, the parties hereby further agree that:
 - the host institution will assist in making local arrangements for lodging and local transportation for visiting participants, however the payment of these costs for these agreements will be the subject of future letters of agreement on a case by case basis;
 - visiting participants will be responsible to obtain appropriate health or other insurance;
 - visiting participants will respect the rules and regulations imposed by the host institution and local laws.
- 7. This agreement of academic cooperation is valid for five (5) years from the day of signing. It can be renewed upon mutual consent of the institutions. At any time, the agreement of academic cooperation can be terminated by giving six months' notice to the other institution.

Date: 18.05.2011.

The University of Rijeka

Prof. Pero Lučin,

Rector

Date: 6.6.2011

The Karl Franz University, Graz

Mag. Dr. Roberta Maierhofer

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