

**AGREEMENT FOR A COORDINATED EXCHANGE PROGRAMME IN
“INSTITUTIONS, ORGANISATIONS, LAW & ECONOMICS”
AND DELIVERY OF DOUBLE DIPLOMAS**

Between:

The University of Paris Nanterre

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AND

The University of Piemonte Orientale “Amedeo Avogadro” (hereafter UPO)

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In the legal representing of its President, Professor Giancarlo Avanzi

Collectively referred to hereinafter as the “**Parties** or **Universities**” and singularly as the “**Party** or **University**”.

Article 1 – Aim of the consortium

The Parties are comprehensive research-based universities.

The Parties wish to deepen their relationship by collaborating in offering a coordinated exchange programme at the master level in the area of Institutions, Organizations Law, and Economics. Under this Agreement, the Parties will facilitate the mobility of the students enrolled in their respective master degree

- Master Economie du Droit of the University Paris Nanterre

- Laurea Magistrale in Economia, Management e Istituzioni (EMI) of the University of Piemonte Orientale

enabling them to validate one semester (30 ECTS) with the other partner.

This Agreement will be jointly implemented by the UFR Sciences Economiques, Gestion, Mathématiques, Informatique of the University of Paris Nanterre, the UPO's Department of Law and Political, Economic and Social Sciences (DiGSPES). In order to make this cooperation more visible the partners will identify themselves also with the common logo and acronym IOLE Program standing for Institutions, Organizations, Law and Economics Program.

Article 2 – Commencement, Extension, and Withdrawal

The present agreement is valid from the time of signature and initially covers a period of Three (3) academic years. The agreement can be renewed for another three (3) academic years by a letter of intent.

Each partner can withdraw from the agreement at the end of the three-year period. The notice of termination should be sent to the partners by the month of December of the academic year preceding the one from which the withdrawal will be operative.

It will be also possible to withdraw from the agreement in the three-year period, for justified reasons without prejudice to the position of students who have already started the path. The parties remain responsible under the terms of this Agreement for any graduate student visits in progress that shall not be affected by the withdrawal.

Article 3 – Dispute Resolution

All Parties shall, in good faith, endeavour to settle any dispute amicably through direct negotiations between the designated persons.

The court of jurisdiction of the country where the defendant has its headquarters will have exclusive jurisdiction to adjudicate any dispute in connection or arising from the agreement.

In case of dispute arising under or in connection with this agreement, the judge will use the law of the country where defendant has its main headquarters to submit the judgment.

Article 4 – Purposes of the Exchange Agreement

Through this Agreement, the Parties intend to develop strong links in teaching and research. The collaboration is designed to not only produce graduates with strong competence in institutions, organisations, law & economics, but also to equip them with the capacity to communicate in English and in the languages of the partners and to deal with different approaches to analysing problems.

The collaboration program involves several objectives:

- Facilitate the learning process and experience transfer in order to comprehend differences in culture and country specific factors.
- Create a European network of expertise and research in this domain, promoting integration of studies in the partner universities and reinforcing the cooperation with existing professional and academic networks.
- Provide an international exposure for students as well as fostering international networking and exchange of expertise for lecturers.

Article 5 – Governance of the Exchange Agreement

The general co-ordination of the program is established at University Paris Nanterre for the period of validity of the agreement. To coordinate the joint activities, the cooperating universities will form a joint Steering Committee, consisting of at least (2) professors representing each of the partner universities, having in charge the master degrees designated in the current agreement. The Steering Committee will discuss all major academic and administrative issues regarding the coordination of the degree program of each partners, including changes in the program description (curriculum). Decisions are made unanimously.

The members of the Steering Committee represent the Master degree Economie du Droit for UPN, and UPO Corso di Laurea Laurea Magistrale in Economia, Management e Istituzioni, Curriculum Law, Economics and Institutions. Members serves as a contact person for incoming students.

The initial composition of the Steering Committee is afforded in “Appendix 1 – Composition of the Steering Committee”. In case of switch of the referent of a university, the new referent will be communicated by email to every partner, as soon is possible.

Article 6 – Structure of the Exchange Agreement

The standard duration of each national program is 4 semesters during which 120 ECTS (European Credits) are acquired. The organization of courses by semester over the two years is afforded respectively in Appendix 2 for the Master Economie du Droit (UPN), and in Appendix 3 for the Laurea Magistrale in Economia, Management e Istituzioni EMI (UPO). Teaching languages are the national official languages of the partner universities (French and Italian) and English. The bilingual system (some courses in English and others in national official language) aims at providing academic and cultural experience, taking advantage of differences in the institutional and social environment.

Students to be accepted under the programme are required to have a bachelor’s degree and the first year of follow-up master’s degree completed at home for at least 30 ECTS

within the institutions where they have been recruited. Then they can apply for mobility to a partner institution.

Students must study at least for one semester (30 ECTS) within the other partner universities, and up to two semesters in all (for 60 ECTS). Under this Master Degree arrangement, students will have obtained at least 30 ECTS by the partner university will obtain the degree from their home university and the degree by the partner university.

The partner universities will not create specific course for this programme for the duration of this agreement. The courses that students in mobility must follow are those provided for the following master programmes :

- Master Economie du Droit in Paris Nanterre
- Laurea Magistrale in Economia, Management e Istituzioni EMI in Alessandria

The mobility can happen at the First Year/Second Semester, or the Second Year/Third Semester only. Regarding the specificity of the Second Year/Forth Semester programme (presence of an internship and/or Master Thesis) for each partner, the Forth Semester is not eligible to the mobility. A student establishes the list of courses that she/he will attend during her/his semester of mobility, and for which she/he will need to undergo the relative examination process according to the local regulation of the hosting university. That list of courses must be formally accepted by the Steering Committee before the mobility. In order to validate a semester of mobility (30 or more ECTS) with one of the party to the agreement, a student must obtain at least the Mention/Class of honours "Pass" or the single grades of every exam seated (meaning a Note/Mark/Grade of: 18-24 with the University of Alessandria, and 10 with the University of Paris Nanterre) with the hosting university. The grading scale for exams and the equivalence between the different master programmes of the parties is described in "Appendix 4 – Conversion Table".

Article 7 – Selection of the students involved in Exchange Agreement

Candidates in mobility in this programme must be students in one of the following master programmes, regularly matriculated in their university:

- Master Economie du Droit in Paris Nanterre
- Laurea Magistrale in Economia, Management e Istituzioni, in Alessandria

They must send an application form to the Steering Committee that will evaluate them.

Every partner provides a maximum of 10 (ten) places for students incoming from the partner universities in each academic year.

There are no specific fees to be involved in this exchange programme. Students have to register and pay tuition fees only in their home university. The signatory Universities commit themselves to the incoming students the access to all the facilities in the host University.

Article 8 – Exchange of courses and professors

In order to facilitate the coordination between their pedagogical programmes, the two partners plan to organize the exchange of Professors and/or classes.

For the exchanges of Professors, obligations are negotiated on a case by case basis; exchanges could involve teaching and/or research activities.

On the other hand, the partners plan to organize some “shared classes” thanks to various media afforded by the new technologies of information and communication (such as recorder courses available online, or live videos etc), in order for the students enrolled in their home master but who are not candidate to the mobility to have the opportunity to attend and share some specific courses of the partner. As a consequence, each partner will afford the students of the other partner with a free access to the pedagogical material associated with these “shared classes”, according to its specific legal rules.

The exchange of courses for the purpose of the present agreement in no way transfers any intellectual property rights to the other party on the pedagogical material that will be shared.

Article 9 – Financial commitment

The Steering Committee will be able to apply in the name of the programme in order to obtain financial sponsorship and other funds from private and public sources, to facilitate the mobility of students and professors/researchers. For the period of validity of the agreement, the financial co-ordination of fundings specifically dedicated to the programme is jointly run by University of Paris Nanterre and UPO. The available funds will be distributed among the partners according to the activities that they will implement, under the control and responsibility of the Steering Committee of the programme.

Article 10 – Administrative support

The international offices of the respective host universities assist students from the partner universities to find housing, help with administrative issues, as well as with other matters of hospitality. However, there is no obligation to actually provide housing or financial assistance of any kind whatsoever.

Students will be solely responsible for all the costs exceeding the ones indicated at article 7, in connection with the exchange Master Programme at either University. The partner universities do not take in charge these different costs (registration or tuition fees, living, travel, insurance and ancillary costs) in connection with the exchange Master Programme. Students are to provide proof of health insurance that complies with the host institution’s requirements, and are to maintain such insurance in full force and effect for the period of

time that they will be at the host institution. The home institution checks that the students are effectively covered by health insurance.

Each partner university indicates one or more contact person for all the administrative activity. The contacts at the beginning of the validity period are given in Appendix 5.

Article 11 – TERMINATION

Either party may terminate this Agreement in accordance with the provisions of art. 2

The parties remain responsible under the terms of this Agreement for any graduate student visits in progress at the time of termination.

President of the University of Paris Nanterre Prof. Philippe Gervais-Lambony	Rector of Università degli Studi del Piemonte Orientale “Amedeo Avogadro” Prof. Gian Carlo Avanzi
Date	Date
Seal and signature	Seal and signature

APPENDIX 1 – Composition of the Steering Committee

At the beginning of the exchange programme, the composition of the Steering Committee is as follows:

- University Paris Nanterre: Professor Eric Langlais (director of the Master Economie du Droit) and Andreea Cosnita (coordinator of the first year)
- University of Piemonte Orientale: Professor Massimiliano Piacenza and Professor Anna Menozzi

In case of switch of the referent of a university, the new referent will be communicated by email to every partner, as soon is possible.

APPENDIX 2

Master “Economie du Droit” University Paris Nanterre

The structure of the programme of courses over the two years is as follows :

1st term September-December	Enseignant	Class	Tutorials	ECTS
Competition Economics	Saïd Souam	24	12	4,5
Economics of Law and Justice	Eric Langlais	20	0	4,5
Microeconometrics	Benjamin Monnery	24	16	4,5
Introduction to Econometrics with STATA and R	Eliane Badaoui	20	12	4,5
Game Theory	Olivier Renault	24	16	4,5
Classe partagée avec UPO STATISTICS FOR ECONOMISTS		30		3
Classe partagée avec UPO PROGRAMME EVALUATION		30		4,5
2d term January-March				
Regulation and Antitrust	Andreea Cosnita	24	12	6
Economics of Digital Markets and Privacy	Jean-Marc Zogheib	20	0	4,5

Economics of Judicial Institutions and Decisions	Alessandro Melcarne	20	12	6
Internship	Equipe pédagogique			4,5
Classe partagée avec UPO (before March) <i>PROPERTY, LIABILITY AND CONTRACTS</i>		30		4,5
Classe partagée avec UPO (before March) <i>ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF LITIGATION</i>		30		4,5

3rd term September-December	Enseignant	Class	ECTS
Seminar Law and Economics	Eric Langlais	24	4,5
Seminar European Competition Policy	Andreea Cosnita	24	4,5
Seminar Methods for the Impact Evaluation of Public Policies	Eliane Badaoui	24	4,5
Seminar E-justice and Bigdata	Alessandro Melcarne	24	4,5
Games, Negotiations, and Cooperation	Saïd Souam	24	3
Workshop in Law & Economics	Eric Langlais	12	1,5
Classe partagée avec UPO <i>PUBLIC FINANCE</i>		30	3
Classe partagée avec UPO <i>PUBLIC CHOICE</i>		30	4,5
4th term	Enseignant	Class	ECTS
Classe partagée avec UPO (January-March) <i>ECONOMETRICS</i>		30	6
Master Dissertation (January-May/June)	Equipe pédagogique		24

Appendix 3

Laurea Magistrale in Economia, Management e Istituzioni EMI University of Piemonte Orientale

The structure of the programme of courses over the two years is as follows:

PIANO DI STUDI – EMI - UNIUPO (in rosso le materie erogate da Nanterre)

PRIMO ANNO

INSEGNAMENTO	SSD	ORE	CFU
MICROECONOMIA II	SECS P01	60	9
PUBLIC FINANCE AND PUBLIC CHOICE	SECS P03	60	12
MANAGEMENT E ORGANIZZAZIONE AZIENDALE	SECS P07	60	9
METODI QUANTITATIVI PER L'ECONOMIA	SECS S/06	60	9
STATISTICS FOR ECONOMICS AND PROGRAM EVALUATION	SECS S/03	60	12
ECONOMETRIA	SECS P/05	30	6
CORSO A SCELTA			9
TOTALE CFU I ANNO			66

SECONDO ANNO

INSEGNAMENTO	moduli	SSD	ORE	CFU
LAW AND ECONOMICS (integrato)	Property, liability and contracts	SECS P06	30	6
	Economics of Judicial Institutions and Decisions		20 (+12)	6
ECONOMICS OF LAW AND JUSTICE			20	6
DIRITTO AMMINISTRATIVO EUROPEO		IUS/10	30	6
REGULATION AND ANTITRUST + SEMINAR IN EUROPEAN COMPETITION POLICY			24 (+12) + 24	6+6
SEMINAR METHODS FOR THE IMPACT EVALUATION OF PUBLIC POLICIES			24	6
TIROCINIO				1
TESI				11
TOTALE CFU II ANNO				54

APPENDIX 4 - Conversion Table

The next table establishes the equivalence of the grading scale for exams between the different universities which are parties to the agreement:

Result	Note/mark/grade	
	Alessandria	Paris Nanterre
Fail	< 18	< 10
Pass	18-24	10
Satisfactory	25-26	12
Good	27-29	14
Very Good	30	> 16
Excellent	30 e lode	

In order to validate a semester of mobility (30 ECTS) with one of the party to the agreement, a student must obtain at least the Mention/Class of honours “Pass” (meaning a Note/Mark/Grade of: 18-24 with the University of Alessandria, and 10 with the University of Paris Nanterre).

APPENDIX 5 – Contact person for administrative issues regarding the on-going exchange

At the beginning of the exchange programme, the contact persons for all administrative activities are as follows:

- University Paris Nanterre :

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