CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY AND TECHNOLOGY OF DRUGS OF SAPIENZA UNIVERSITY OF ROME (ITALY) AND THE COLLEGE OF PHARMACY OF ARAB ACADEMY FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND MARITIME TRANSPORT (EGYPT)

The Department of Chemistry and Technology of Drugs of Sapienza University of Rome represented by its Director Prof. Daniela Secci and the College of Pharmacy of the Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime Transport represented by its Dean, Prof. Amira Senbel, considering the development of cultural and scientific cooperation to be of mutual advantage to both universities, and desiring to reinforce such cooperation, agree on the following points:

- Art. 1: Scientific and educational cooperation shall be undertaken in the field(s) of:
 - a. a) Organic chemistry;
 - b. b) Inorganic chemistry;
 - c. c) Medicinal chemistry;
 - d. d) Food chemistry

Such cooperation shall be carried out on the basis of equal and mutual advantage, taking into consideration, through mutual consent, the budget available at the moment in time, and the experience acquired by the interested scholars from both universities.

- Art. 2: In order to achieve the objectives set out in the first article, scientific and educational cooperation may be implemented in the following ways:
 - a) Exchange of visits by scholars (professors, researchers, technicians, etc.).
 - b) Participation in research programmes, in particular the IMPACT project (Innovative Mediterranean Partnership for Advancing Collaborative Teaching), that aims to foster international cooperation in higher education across the Mediterranean, emphasizing digital and ecological transitions, intercultural and linguistic competencies, and sustainable development. Through this agreement, the institutions commit to facilitating scholar (professors, researchers, technicians, etc.) mobility to enhance intercultural exchange, academic growth, and capacity building between Italian belonging to the IMPACT consortium and North African universities. The IMPACT partnership includes the following academic institutions: Roma Tre University as the lead institution, Università degli Studi di Cassino e del Lazio Meridionale, Libera Università degli Studi "Maria SS. Assunta" LUMSA, Sapienza Università di Roma, Università degli Studi della Tuscia, Università per Stranieri di Perugia, and Università degli Studi di Roma "Tor Vergata." The Project is supported by the Italian National Recovery and Resilience Plan (PNRR) and funded by the European Union's NextGenerationEU initiative.
 - c) Organization of scientific meetings, seminars, blended intensive programs, and courses on subject(s) laid down in the Agreement.

- d) Exchange of scientific information and scientific papers.
- Art. 3: To realize the afore-mentioned points, it is possible to promote a reciprocal exchange of scientific staff between both Parties, in accordance with the available budget. The exchange of scholars, within the conditions stated above, shall, in all circumstances, be based on a condition of reciprocity.
- Art. 4: Two months before the presumed starting date of planned activities, the respective scientific scholars involved in the project in both Parties shall make contact, exchanging all the necessary information about procedures, times and everything required for the effective execution of the programme. The respective scientific scholars responsible for the project are Prof. Andrea Calcaterra for the Department of Chemistry and Technology of Drugs of Sapienza University of Rome and Prof. Amira Senbel for the College of Pharmacy of the Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime Transport.
- Art. 5: Scholars sent by one University to the other must have both medical and accident insurance. This may be provided either by their home institution, according to its own regulations, or it may be directly set up by the interested person, through the stipulation of a policy with an insurance agency guaranteeing the above mentioned risks.
- **Art. 6:** Each University shall ensure, in compliance with its respective laws and regulations, any kind of assistance and facilities for scholars temporarily residing on its territory, allowing them to perform the assigned tasks under provisions of this Agreement.
- Art. 7: This Agreement is subject to the approval of the competent authorities, according to the national laws of each University, and will come into force when the signatures by both parties are affixed.
- Art. 8: This agreement shall remain in force for 3 years and may be terminated by either Party with a minimum of 120 days written notice. Activities in progress at the time of termination of this Agreement shall be permitted to conclude as planned unless otherwise agreed.
- Art. 9: Parties may apply for renewal of the Agreement for a further period of equivalent duration. If not renewed, the Agreement expired ceases its effects, without prejudice to the continuation of any ongoing activities.
- **Art. 10:** An arbitrators' council, made up of a member chosen by each contracting Party and a jointly chosen one, shall resolve any eventual controversy concerning the interpretation and application of this Agreement.

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