

Memorandum of Understanding
Between
Mekelle University (Ethiopia) and Oriental University of Naples (Italy)

Art. 1

The Mekelle University (MU) and the Oriental University of Naples (UniOr), hereafter referred to as the Parties, hereby enter into a Memorandum of Understanding in a desire to develop academic exchange and cooperation in teaching and research in the furtherance of the advancement and dissemination of learning in the areas of mutual interest of the two Parties. Therefore, they agree as follows:

1. Based upon the principles of respect for each other's independence and mutual benefit, the Parties will engage in the following activities:
 - (1) Collaborative activities such as joint research projects, lectures, symposia, conferences, publications, etc.;
 - (2) Exchange of professors and research scholars;
 - (3) Exchange of undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral students;
 - (4) Cooperation in the field of masters and doctoral programs of the two Partners.
 - (5) Exchange of scientific materials, publications, and other information of mutual interest;
 - (6) Exchange of groups of people for acquiring cultural experiences, work ethics and technological exposure.
2. Within the framework of this Memorandum of Understanding, other institutions or organisations from Ethiopia, Italy, or third countries may take part in specific projects that are of mutual interest for the two main Partners, i.e., MU and UniOr.
3. In order to carry out any of the above activities, a detailed plan or addendum may be drawn up after consultation between the Parties. Such a plan shall be the result of negotiation between the Parties concerned in each specific case.

4. The Parties shall comply with the laws of Ethiopia and Italy, as well as the regulations of each of the two institutions regarding faculties, departments, and both incoming and outgoing student exchanges, the exchange of academic material and information, and joint programs.

Art. 2

This agreement shall continue to be effective for a period of five (5) years from the date of its signature by the two Partners, and will be automatically renewed afterwards. It can be subject to change, renewal or termination at any time by mutual consent or by six months' written notice by either party.


Art. 3

Both Parties will each retain a signed copy of the English version of this agreement, which is considered to be valid. Any translation in any other language shall be for reference only and shall not be considered as binding by either party.

Art. 4


In case of controversy over the interpretation or the enforcing of the present Memorandum, the two Parties will appoint an arbitration committee composed of one member designated by each party and a third one who will be jointly selected.

On behalf of
the Mekelle University


Kindeya Gebrehiwot (PhD)
President

Date 28 Oct 2016

On behalf of
the Oriental University of Naples


Elda Morlicchio
Rettore



Date 10 MAG. 2016

