GENERAL AGREEMENT TO PROMOTE CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION BETWEEN THE HONORS CENTER OF ITALIAN UNIVERSITIES (H2CU) OF UNIVERSITY OF ROME "LA SAPIENZA" (ITALY) AND AUBURN UNIVERSITY (USA)

In recognition of their common interest in promoting research and education, the Honors Center of Italian Universities (H2CU) of University of Rome "La Sapienza" (Italy) and Auburn University (USA) enter into this to establish a framework for promoting academic exchanges and scholarly collaboration.

- Art. 1: Scientific and educational cooperation shall be undertaken in areas of mutual interest. Such cooperation will be carried out on the basis of equal and mutual advantage.
- Art. 2: The cooperation may be implemented in the following ways:
 - a) Exchange of visits by scholars;
 - b) Participation in research programs;
 - c) Sharing common graduate and post-graduate programs;
 - d) Developing dual degree graduate programs.
- Art. 3: As far as the implementation of cultural and academic cooperation in different areas is concerned, subsequent executive protocols will establish possible initiatives of mutual interest, exchange of scholars, joint research and academic programs, and financial contributions.
- Art. 4: Each University shall ensure, in compliance with its respective laws and regulations, the assistance and facilitations for scholars temporarily residing on its territory, under the provisions of this agreement.
- Art. 5: The Universities shall ensure emergency health services for visiting scholars, with exception of chronic diseases and prostheses.
- Art. 6: 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 of each institutional representative are affixed.
- Art. 7: This agreement shall remain in force for five 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.

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Art. 8: An arbitrator's council, made up of a member chosen by each contracting party and a jointly chosen one, shall resolve any possible controversy concerning the interpretation and application of this agreement.

By signature below, Auburn University is affirming that it has evaluated this agreement in terms of its published mission and finds the agreement compatible with that mission. Before consenting to extensions from time to time in the future, Auburn University will reevaluate this agreement in terms of its published mission.

Auburn University

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Endorsed by the General Consul of Italy

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