AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION

THE UNIVERSITY FOR FOREIGNERS IN PERUGIA

AND

THE HONOURS CENTRE OF ITALIAN UNIVERSITY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ROME "LA SAPIENZA"

CONCERNING

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A UNESCO CHAIR ON WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND CULTURE

AT

THE UNIVERSITY FOR FOREIGNERS IN PERUGIA (ITALIAN REPUBLIC)

Agreement

concerning the establishment of a UNESCO Chair on Water Resources Management and Culture at the University for Foreigners in Perugia, Italian Republic

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (hereinafter referred to as "UNESCO"), 7 Place de Fontenoy, 75352 Paris 07 SP, France, represented by its Director-General, Ms Irina Bokova,

The University for Foreigners in Perugia (hereinafter referred to as "the University"), Piazza Fortebraccio 4, 06123 Perugia, Italian Republic, represented by its President, Professor Stefania Giannini,

and

The Honours Centre of Italian Universities of the University of Rome "La Sapienza" (hereinafter referred to as "the Centre"), Via Eudossiana 18 – 00184 Rome, Italian Republic, represented by its Director, Professor Lucio Ubertini,

Considering that one of the essential factors favouring development in UNESCO's fields of competence is the exchange of experience and knowledge between universities and other higher education institutions;

Convinced that joint work by university teachers, researchers and administrators from regions all over the world will provide important benefits for the entire academic community;

Bearing in mind UNESCO's mission and objectives as set forth in its Constitution, and its role in promoting international inter-university cooperation;

Taking into account the experience of the UNESCO/UNITWIN Chairs Programme as a stimulus for academic mobility and the rapid transfer of knowledge through twinning, networking and other linking arrangements, and the work of the International Hydrological Programme on water governance, education, science and cooperation;

Have agreed as follows:

- Article 1 The University shall, in cooperation with UNESCO and the Centre, establish a UNESCO Chair on Water Resources Management and Culture (hereinafter referred to as "the Chair") at the University for Foreigners in Perugia.
- Article 2 The purpose of the Chair shall be to promote an integrated system of research, training, information and documentation on water management. It will facilitate collaboration between high-level, internationally-recognized researchers and teaching staff of the University and other institutions in Italy, as well as in Europe, Africa, Asia and other regions of the world.

The specific objectives of this Chair are to:

- develop further the existing six-month course on Integrated Water Resources Management by combining technical and cultural aspects, and to train students, faculty, water and development professionals, water service providers, institutional decision-makers and trainers;
- carry out research jointly with partners to enhance knowledge that would inform innovative and interdisciplinary strategies to manage water, and disseminate results widely;
- help establish a network of experts and institutions to facilitate collaboration and the sharing of knowledge and good practices in water management;
- foster the realization of scientific, social and management support systems to facilitate/strengthen cooperation among relevant institutions at the national and regional levels; and,
- cooperate closely with UNESCO on relevant programmes and initiatives, in particular with the International Hydrological Programme and with the World Water Assessment Programme, in the context of activities such as the Umbria Water festival.
- Article 3 The University, in consultation with UNESCO and the Centre, shall appoint the Chairholder, who will be selected by means of a procedure to be mutually agreed upon.
- Article 4 The Chair shall consist of the Chairholder and the teaching personnel, researchers and students associated with its training, research and outreach programmes.
- Article 5 The University shall sign a contract with the Chairholder for a fixed period to be determined by it, giving the Chairholder the same rights and obligations as those of other scholars of the same category at the University. The contract also shall define the Chairholder's salary and benefits, travel expenses, installation grant, housing and medical insurance.
- Article 6 The University shall grant the Chair the facilities necessary to conduct academic research and training activities in its fields and to make their results accessible online.
- Article 7

 The University shall submit to UNESCO a mid-term and a final report on the activities carried out by the Chair and on the financial resources of the Chair. The reports should comply with the UNESCO template. They will be reviewed by UNESCO and will be published on the UNITWIN portal.
- Article 8 The University shall arrange for the Chair to participate in UNESCO programmes and activities with a view to strengthening international academic cooperation in the field of scientific research and its application for national development. Wherever possible, the University shall arrange for the Chair to engage in the exchange of professors, researchers and students with other universities within the framework of the UNITWIN Programme.
- Article 9 Within that framework, the University shall endeavour to associate the Chair with the activities of other Chairs and inter-university networks in the different regions of the world.

- Article 10 Subject to the terms of this Agreement, the University shall assume all expenses linked to the implementation of activities undertaken by the Chair.
- Article 11 In order to demonstrate its link with UNESCO, the UNESCO Chair is invited to use the composed UNITWIN/UNESCO logo that includes the UNESCO official logo and the UNITWIN logo to the right of the former, under the following conditions:
 - the conditions for the use of the logo will be determined by UNESCO and cannot be modified without the prior agreement of the latter; UNESCO shall provide the Chair with a high definition electronic format of the composed logo in compliance with the agreed specifications;
 - the logo must be cautiously used with a view to avoiding misinterpretation by the general public, notably concerning the respective status of the Chair, the University and UNESCO, as specified under the provisions of Article 12 of the Agreement; the composed UNITWIN/UNESCO logo shall not, under any circumstances, be used for any commercial purposes, either by the Chair or by the University;
 - all promotional and information materials published by the Chair or the University, bearing the composed UNITWIN/UNESCO logo (example: pamphlets and other electronic documents) should bear the disclaimer: The authors are responsible for the choice and presentation of views contained in this ...and for opinions expressed therein, which are not necessarily those of UNESCO and do not commit the Organization; and,
 - the University will assume full responsibility for any legal consequences stemming from this use.
- Article 12 Neither the University nor any member of its staff employed for the implementation of the activities linked to the Chair shall be considered an agent, representative or member of UNESCO's staff, nor shall they enjoy any benefit, immunity, remuneration or reimbursement if not clearly foreseen in this Agreement; moreover, they shall not be authorized to present themselves as being part of UNESCO, or make statements on UNESCO's behalf, or commit UNESCO to any expense of any nature or to any other obligation.
- Article 13 The University shall be entirely responsible for taking any measures it deems necessary to insure itself against loss, injury or damage incurred during the implementation of these activities.
- Article 14 The present Agreement shall enter into force for a period of 4 (four) years on the date of both signatures having been appended. It may be cancelled by either Party subject to 60 (sixty) days' written notice to the other Party.
- Article 15 The University shall request the renewal of the present Agreement before its expiry date. Any renewal of the present Agreement shall be effected upon mutual agreement by an exchange of letters between the Parties, on condition that the Chair meets its specific objectives as laid out in Article 2, and provides detailed information on activities and budget secured for the period of renewal.

- Article 16 UNESCO may decide to not renew the present Agreement, or to close the Chair if the latter fails to submit progress reports on its activities; the reports are negatively evaluated; or the Chair's activities do not correspond to UNESCO's strategic priorities.
- Article 17 In the event of a dispute, the Parties shall make a good faith effort to settle it amicably. If an amicable settlement cannot be reached, any dispute arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be settled by a sole arbitrator appointed by mutual agreement or, failing this, by the President of the International Court of Justice at the request of either Party.

In witness whereof, the undersigned, duly authorized to that effect, have signed three copies of the present Agreement in the English language, the three copies being equally authoritative.

For the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Organization

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Irina Bokova Director-General

Date: 25.06.13

For the University for Foreigners in Perugia

Stefania Giamini President

Date:

For the Honours Centre of Italian Universities of the University of Rome "La Sapienza"

Lucio Ubertini Director

Date: