



Agreement on Scientific Cooperation between the National Research Centre of Egypt (NRC) and the National Research Council of Italy (CNR)

The National Research Centre of Egypt (NRC) and the National Research Council of Italy (CNR) (hereinafter referred to as the Parties), have agreed upon the following provisions:

Article I Purpose

The purpose of this Agreement is to further strengthen cooperation in scientific research between Egypt and Italy. The Parties will, on a basis of equality and mutual benefit, promote and support cooperation between qualified scientists of both institutions in those research areas of most interest to both Parties.

Article II Forms of Cooperation and Implementation

Within this Agreement cooperation may include the following activities:

- a) Joint research projects
- b) Joint workshops
- c) Other cooperative activities as may be mutually agreed upon

The details and the Cooperative Programme for each form of cooperation shall be decided by the Parties. The Parties shall revise this Cooperative Programme at least every two years. It shall contain, among other provisions, what follows:

• the title, description, duration and the financial arrangements of the joint research projects, workshops or any other initiatives that have been selected by the Parties, as well as the names of the scientists and scholars participating.

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Article III Practice

Each Party will cover the costs of the participants from its own country. The number of projects, workshops and any other cooperative activity to be supported each year will be contingent upon funding availability in each Party's budget, which will be established every 2 years on the renewed Cooperative Programme.

Article IV Observance of Regulations

Participating scientists abide by the laws of the receiving country and regulations of the host institutions.

Article V. Intellectual property Rights

Rights arising out of any invention, product, process etc that result from the joint research programs for scientific research and development, achieved within the provisions of this agreement, will be common intellectual property and their exploitation will be subject to separate agreements in each case, entered into writing between the Parties.

Article VI. Ethics in Science

The role of Ethics in Science in the form of code of honour, which members of the scientific community are bound to, applied throughout this agreement and shall be adhered to.

Article VII. Other Matters

Administrative procedures and implementation details not stipulated in this Agreement will be provided separately in the Cooperative Programme or agreed upon via correspondence between the Parties.

Article VIII Validity, Amendment, Termination

This Agreement will come into force on the date of its signing and continue thereafter for four years. Either Party may notify the other of its intention to terminate it, in which case any existing program will be brought to an orderly conclusion. Notification shall be made six months in advance of the termination of the Agreement. The Agreement may be extended for the same period of validity, four years in the absence of a termination notice by either Party.

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This Agreement is made and signed in Cairo, on 25 March 2015, in four originals in English, all being equally authentic.

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