



Memorandum of Understanding

THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING is executed on this day of August 2021 by and between:

The Politecnico di Milano with legal domicile at piazza Leonardo da Vinci 32, 20133 Milano (Italy), and represented in this deed by its Rector's Delegate for International Affairs, Prof. Stefano Ronchi

and

The ICFAI School of Architecture, represented by Registrar, ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education Dr.S.Vijayalakshmi.

The parties hereto, in the pursuit of the excellence in scholarship and dissemination of knowledge to generate mutual and reciprocal benefits within the framework of openness, fairness and equity that will serve both the parties of the Memorandum of Understanding and parties hereby indicate their willingness in principle and pledge to collaborate, cooperate in promotion of teaching and research activities and promote substantial and productive academic collaborations as below:

1. Scope:

Parties here by agree to promote activities and projects of mutual interest, particularly concerning:

- the organisation of seminars, courses, workshops, summer schools, internships, and other similar initiatives;
- the development of studies and collaborative research projects;
- the organisation of meetings, congresses, lectures etc. to improve the exchange of knowledge and experience;
- the exchange of documentation: works, reviews, pedagogical documentation, exhibitions:
- the exchange of teachers, researchers, staff and students.
- The actions and the co-operation programme will be defined every year. In order to achieve this aim, a committee of members belonging to the contracting parties may be established.

2. Commencement and Tenure of MoU:

- a. This agreement will be effective from the date on which it has been duly signed by both parties and will be in force for a period of five years from the latest date appearing
- b. This agreement may be renewed by mutual consent of the parties after verification of the activities developed during its duration and previously defined by specific executive agreements.
- c. This agreement has been signed in duplicate in English, and each Institution will receive one (1) copy.

3. Termination of the MoU:

Any party may withdraw from this agreement at any time, and the agreement will terminate one hundred eighty days after the date of the written communication of the withdrawal to the partner institution.

4. Separate Agreements:

Prior to initiating any specific activity or program, the parties will negotiate and enter into a definitive separate agreement, signed by each party or its authorized signatory, describing the terms of the arrangements, including but not limited to financial commitments, academic freedom commitments, immigration and compliance obligations and details of the exchange or collaborative relationship. Except as expressly provided in the proceeding sentence, this MoU is not intended to create any legally binding obligations on either institution but. rather, it is intended to facilitate discussions regarding general areas of cooperation.

5. Dispute Resolution:

- a. The parties agree to solve in a friendly manner any controversy rising from the interpretation of the present agreement.
- b. In the event that the disagreement cannot be resolved, the issue(s) will be submitted for arbitration; each party will appoint a member of the arbitration panel, and one member will be chosen by mutual consent.

6. Financial Obligations:

The signing of this agreement does not entail any financial obligation for the parties.

7. Confidentiality

Each party shall keep the information, material acquired or produced related to the MoU as confidential and shall not without prior written consent use or disclose or otherwise make available this information or material in any form to any person.

8. Disclaimer

- a. This agreement consists only of a declaration of intent for collaboration and exchange in the field of teaching and research programmes in accordance with the terms explained above.
- b. Agreements concerning specific activities may be implemented within the framework defined in the present agreement.

9. Non-Exclusivity

This Memorandum of Understanding is not exclusive and not precluded from having similar collaborations with others

For the Politecnico di Milano

The Rector's Delegate for International Affairs

Prof. Stefano Ronchi

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Registrate)

Date: 23rd August 2021

For ICFAI School of Architecture, ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education

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Date: 30 August 2021