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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

ALIKHAN BOKEIKHAN UNIVERSITY

And

NICCOLO' CUSANO UNIVERSITY,

(hereinafter referred to as "The Parties")

Background

- A. The Parties wish to establish a cooperative relationship with the aim of developing and fostering academic links between their two institutions.
- B. This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) sets out the framework for the cooperative relationship between the Parties.

Provisions

1. **Areas of Co-Operation (Economics, Computer Science, Law, Pedagogical Sciences, Sociology, Psychological Sciences);**

The Parties will discuss opportunities for collaboration in the following areas:

- (a) Academic staff collaboration in research, teaching and learning in areas of common interest;
- (b) General academic collaboration including the exchange of educational resource materials and publications that are of mutual interest;
- (c) Assessment of units for credit for prior learning for academic programs offered at each institution;
- (d) Development and implementation of student mobility programs;
- (e) Development and implementation of staff exchange programs;
- (f) Identification of special short-term academic programs and projects of mutual benefit to both institutions; and

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- (g) Any other collaborative efforts the Parties consider to be appropriate from time to time.

2. Activities and Projects

Each collaborative activity or project to be initiated under this MoU will be subject to a Supplementary Agreement between the Parties. Such Agreements will set out the Parties' obligations and responsibilities and the conditions relating to each activity or project and compliance with applicable laws, rules, regulations and procedures of the host country/host institution.

3. Funding

Each Party shall bear its own costs and expenses for the activities arising from this MoU unless otherwise mutually arranged and agreed upon.

Neither party shall enter into contract on behalf of the other Party nor commit the other to any expenses without the other Party's express written authority.

4. Management and Oversight

As soon as possible after this MoU has come into operation the Parties must agree on a strategy for its management and oversight. The agreed strategy must include the following elements:

- (a) Regular communication between representatives of the Parties in relation to this MoU;
- (b) An equitable decision-making process;
- (c) Procedures for reviewing the progress of collaborative activities and projects initiated under this MoU; and
- (d) Procedures for identifying and prioritising new opportunities for collaboration.

5. Legal Effect of this MoU

This MoU outlines the framework of a working relationship between the Parties. Except as expressly noted, it is not intended to constitute a contract, but is built on goodwill and is binding in honour only. No partnership or joint venture is created by this MoU, and neither Party can commit the other financially or otherwise to third Parties.

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6. Applicable Law

Staff/students of either Party involved in any activity under this MoU shall abide by the applicable rules, regulations and procedures of the host institution.

7. Confidentiality

Each Party shall keep confidential all information or material acquired or produced in connection with this MoU and will not without prior written consent of the other Party use or disclose or otherwise make available this information or material in any form to any person, except as required by law. This provision is binding on the Parties and will survive the termination or expiry of this MoU.

8. Intellectual Property

Ownership of Intellectual Property shared by the Parties pursuant to this MoU will remain with the contributor or creator. All such material must be treated as confidential and not for public circulation unless specifically agreed otherwise by both Parties in writing. This provision is binding on the Parties and will survive the termination or expiry of this MoU.

9. Use of Name and Logo

A Party will not use the name or logo or any variation of the name or logo of the other Party, or of any member of the other Party, or its employees or students, in any publicity, advertising or news release without the prior written approval of an authorised representative of that Party. This provision is binding on the Parties and will survive the termination or expiry of this MoU.

10. Standards of Performance

The Parties agree that all obligations under this MoU and any Agreement resulting from this MoU will be performed in a manner protective of and consistent with both Parties' reputation for excellence and integrity in education, research and scholarship.

11. Dispute Resolution

Any dispute related to this MoU shall be settled by amicable negotiations between the two institutions. In case this is not successful, the dispute shall be resolved through an arbitrator appointed by the two Parties by mutual agreement. Should the Parties fail to reach such agreement within one month of a request for arbitration by any Party, the arbitrator shall be appointed by a judge of the Rome sitting in Chambers. The award of the



arbitrator shall not be the subject matter of an appeal or review before the Court. It shall be final and binding.

12. Termination

Either Party may terminate this MoU by providing a minimum of six months' written notice to the other Party. The termination of this MoU will not affect any activity or project that is the subject of a further agreement between the Parties unless the relevant agreement provides otherwise.

13. Effective Date and Duration of MoU

This MoU takes effect on the date the last Party signs and will continue for a period of five years. Prior to the expiry of this MoU, the Parties may agree in writing to extend it for a further five year period.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, the Parties, through their duly authorised representatives, hereby agree to the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding, drawn up in two originals.

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Date

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read 'Giovanni Puoti', is written over a horizontal line.

Prof. Giovanni Puoti
President

28/06/2024
Date

ANNEX FOR WORK PLAN AND LINK COORDINATORS

1. WORK PLAN

- (a) Academic staff collaboration in research, teaching and learning in areas of common interest;
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