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**Agreement on Scientific Cooperation
between
European Academy of Sciences, Brussels, Belgium
and
Academia das Ciências de Lisboa, Portugal**

The European Academy of Sciences in Brussels (www.eurasc.org) and the Academia das Ciências de Lisboa (hereafter referred as parties), recognising the importance of international scientific cooperation and with the aim of promoting research in the fields of science, technology, humanities and socio-economics, agree to implement the following Agreement.

The European Academy of Sciences (EurASc) is an international non-profit organization aiming to promote excellence in science and technology. With its Headquarters in Brussels, Belgium, the Academy has about 600 members, including 65 Nobel Prize and Fields Medal winners, from more than 47 countries, mostly located in Europe.

The Academia das Ciências de Lisboa (ACL) is a scientific institution, founded in 1779, to promote research and advancement in all fields of knowledge, language and culture. It's based in Lisbon, Portugal, with 110 effective members and 220 correspondents, from both Classes (Sciences and Letters).

Article I

One of the major objectives of EurASc is to establish efficient collaboration among scientists, researchers, educators, engineers, science stakeholders and public authorities worldwide. The academy promotes interaction between basic and applied research and transfer of knowledge between scientists and end-users, besides promoting advising studies to science policy makers. The academy contributes towards the development of international policies in science and technology.

Under this agreement the cooperation may include the following activities:

- Exchange of scientific information;
- Promotion of national and international studies based on the scope of their science and technology competences;
- Encouragement of cooperative research projects between relevant institutions of both sides on the basis of self-arranged funding;
- Exchange of scientists and specialists to implement research and visits for joint activities in the fields agreed;
- Any other initiatives within the competence of the Academies and in accordance with the objectives set out in this Agreement, considered of mutual interest by both

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Academies (e.g.: dissemination of scientific knowledge and culture among young and mature people).

Article II

Both parties agree to promote cooperation in research, development and innovation in the following areas:

1. Engineering;
2. Physics;
3. Chemistry;
4. Earth and Environmental Sciences;
5. Medicine and Life Sciences;
6. Mathematics;
7. Computational and Information Sciences;
8. Materials Science;
9. Arts and Humanities;
10. Socio-economic Sciences.

A steering committee constituting of members from each Academy will meet at a mutually agreed date in Brussels or in Lisbon in order to define the specific areas of cooperation within each of the domains mentioned above. The definition of the areas to be promoted will take into consideration mutual interests and development priorities.

The European Academy of Sciences and the Academia das Ciências de Lisboa will designate their representatives in the steering committee through exchange of correspondence.

Article III

In case of exchange of scholars, the parties agree on the following procedure:

1. Candidates for the exchange must be proposed by the sending side and approved by receiving side.
2. At least three months before the proposed starting date of the visit, the sending Academy shall supply the receiving Academy with the essential information concerning the nominated researcher(s): candidate's *curriculum vitae*, passport number, the detailed proposed research programme, dates and duration of the stay. Evidence of previous academic contacts in the receiving country should be provided (e.g.: an invitation letter).
3. The receiving Academy has to inform the sending Academy of its decision in the six weeks after the proposal reception date.

4. After approval by the receiving Academy, the sending Academy has to inform on the researcher's travel arrangement including date and time of arrival and flight number and date of departure at least two weeks before arrival.

Article IV

This Agreement will not give rise to any financial obligation by one party to the other. The parties acknowledge that in the absence of any specific agreement in writing to the contrary, each party will be responsible for its own costs and expenses in establishing and conducting activities contemplated under this Agreement. The sending Academy will ensure that the visiting scholars have an appropriate travel insurance against sudden illness and/or accidents that may occur during their stay in the host country. The receiving Academy will do all it can to assist the visiting scholars, including issuing visa documents and providing accommodation information.

For all information disseminated in the media: publications, communications, conferences, video, etc, both logos of EurASc and Academia das Ciências de Lisboa should appear, together with the ones of the concerned teams.

Article V

The terms of this Agreement can be modified by correspondence on the basis of mutual consensus.

Article VI

The Agreement will come into effect on the last date of signature by the representatives of both Academies and will remain valid for a period of three years, automatically renewable for the same period, unless denounced by written notice from one of the parties at least six months prior to the termination date.

This Agreement has been made in English and Portuguese, in two copies, both being equally valid.

For and on behalf of
The European Academy of Sciences

For and on behalf of
The Academia das Ciências de Lisboa


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