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Birzeit University - Palestine

AGREEMENT

Academic & Research Council

Román Reyes, Full Professor of Social and Legal Sciences, President of EMUI_ EuroMed University, by virtue of the competences attributed to him by the Statutes and Regulation, § Art. 2.1 ([OBEMUI, Official Bolletín of the EMUI, Nr 20/2017.1](#))

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PREAMBLE

The EMUI_ EuroMed University

International Academic and Research Center, Tax Number: ESG87905626, PIC 913475094, the EMUI_ EuroMed University, www.emui.eu, is a Interuniversity Platform for Innovation (Research, Higher Teacher and Training - LLP), by adapting existing (or new design) projects and programs to the Priorities of the *Horizon EU Framework Program 2020*. Joint management and open offer, especially for students from Southern Mediterranean countries.

As a public institution, with its own legal personality, the EMUI is a member of the Anna Lindh Foundation - EUROMED, networks Malta, Spain and Italy, respectively from 2008, 2014 and 2017, www.emui.eu/annalindh_foundation.html

The EMUI, together with the institutions of its Consortium, pursues specific objectives, uninterrupted since its founding in 2007. It offers unique programs that, being complementary, are clearly differentiated from those pursued and offered by existing EuroMed Universities and other centers, public and private, with EuroMed programs. We thus guarantee a necessary dialogue with the disparity for reasons of culture, ethnicity, language or vulnerability. The priority lines of the EMUI are based on Equality and Human Rights, respecting the gender perspective and the valuable potential represented by youth.

The Birzeit University (Palentina)

The **Birzeit University** is Palestine's first independent not-for-profit institution of higher education governed by an autonomous Board of Trustees. It embodies a success story, inspirational to all Palestinians. Since 1972, BZU has grown to become a leading university in the Middle East, on par with the very best. The University is committed to maintaining excellence in teaching and learning and advancing knowledge through scientific research and civic engagement. Our distinguished faculty combine scholarship and professional experience as former officials, diplomats, professionals, researchers, and scientists. Our students come from diverse backgrounds made possible by the university's commitment to provide equal opportunities for deserving individuals.

BZU strives to maintain its status as the premiere Palestinian university. It comprises nine faculties offering 111 academic programs, 75 undergraduate programs, 32 master programs, and one interdisciplinary doctoral program in the Social Sciences. The University is home to a number of institutes, centers, and programs that support community-oriented projects geared towards professional training and capacity building, as well as policy-oriented and applied research. Moreover, Birzeit University has developed academic relations with several distinguished domestic and international universities and institutions, encouraging joint research activities and guest lectures, as well as faculty and student exchanges.

EMUI_ Statutes and Regulations provides for the following collaboration structure:

§ Art. 1.3.- Type of courses (modality).- In order to encourage mobility and inter-university exchange, regardless of which institution makes the offer, it is be of three types: classroom courses, online blending learning and online course. The head teacher is contributed by the universities that have signed the corresponding qualifications, whom they will keep their status and relevant remuneration, assuming the travel costs. The EMUI_ EuroMed University bear the costs of accommodation and meals as appropriate.

§ Art. 1.6.- Joint Programming.- Programming the annual supply of the Interuniversity Platform is jointly (Paragraphs 1.2 and 1.2.1), to be agreed by the Academic Council, on a proposal from each of the universities that comprise it, or the Platform itself. This is the reason so supply is made from the Platform take the proposing institution stamp, figuring the rest as guarantees of the resulting qualifications.

ASSUMPTIONS

Since the EuroMed Studies Programme at Birzeit University would reinforce the Platform's priority offers, emui.eu/studies_research.html, the signatories consider that it could be part of the overall EMUI programming under the following assumptions:

- 1.- The Postgraduate EuroMed Program of the Birzeit University joins the Official Program of EMUI_ EuroMed University.
- 2.- The coordination of the Postgraduate Program (Master and PhD EuroMed) will remain the responsibility of the Birzeit University.

3.- The corresponding degrees will be signed by the Birzeit University and the EMUI_ EuroMed University, which represents the Universities of the Academic & Research Council, emui.eu/bodies/academic.html

4.- Students of the Postgraduate Program (Master and PhD EuroMed) will be able to carry out academic-teaching stays or internships (practicum) in any of the Universities of the Academic & Research Council of the EMUI, in the terms of the specified protocols.

5.- By virtue of the annexed protocols, it will be promoted the mobility of teachers between the universities of Birzeit University Consortium and those of the Academic & Research Council of the EMUI.

SPECIFIC ACTIONS

6.- The Birzeit University may participate in the specific actions, of a solidary nature, that the EMUI offers under the name of *Mediterranean: Equality_ Human Rights*, www.emui.eu/humanrights

7.- And, in particular, the EMUI EuroMed University will participate in the Joint Master' Degree Erasmus Mundus (Erasmus+), that propose the corresponding Departments of the Birzeit University

With the legal coverage assisting the developing institutions and universities of the Academic Council (EMUI_ EuroMed University), respecting the current regulations in each of the participating States in the field of *Higher Education and Research*, and Community implementing legislation, the aforementioned institutions are empowered to sign this agreement.

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