



**AGREEMENT  
ON COOPERATION BETWEEN  
KAZAKH PHYSICAL SOCIETY  
AND  
INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR RELATIVISTIC ASTROPHYSICS NETWORK- ICRANET**

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**The Republican Public association "Kazakh Physical Society"** represented by President, Academician Tolegen A. Kozhamkulov, on the one part,

and

**the International Center for Relativistic Astrophysics Network - ICRANet**, represented by Director, Professor Remo Ruffini, on the other part, (both hereinafter referred to as the Parties collectively, or Party individually),

*taking into consideration the partnership and close international relations between the Republic of Kazakhstan and Italy,*

*recognizing the necessity and the possibility for developing further perspective bilateral relations between two countries in scientific fields of cooperation,*

*wishing to make their own contribution to development of cooperation between two institutions in the abovementioned fields,*

*hereby conclude this Agreement on cooperation (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement) with following provisions.*

**Article 1**

**Activities**

Based on the principle of mutual benefit and respect for each other's independence, the Parties will foster:

1. Scientific staff exchange. Organization of training courses for staff. Staff exchange for conducting jointly organized projects;
2. Development and realization of joint research and educational programs;
3. Organization of academic meetings and symposiums; Joint participation and conduct of scientific and summer schools with the involvement of specialists and students;
4. Joint research activities. Joint participation in the grants awarded by the state, international, public and private foundations and organizations;
5. Publication of articles, reports, and other scientific materials in the periodical publications of the partners;
6. Exchange of academic information, publications, materials and knowledge. Organization of access to research centers and facilities to conduct research.
7. Attracting leading scientists and professors for supervising PhD students' research work at the partner universities.
8. Other forms of educational and scientific activities as may be mutually agreed by the two Parties.

In order to give effect to these forms of cooperation, representatives of two Parties will be encouraged to consult each other and to develop specific plans for collaboration in any or all of the ways mentioned above.

## **Article 2**

### **Addenda**

The implementation of each program based upon the Agreement shall be negotiated and agreed upon by the Parties under a separate agreement prior to the initiation of the particular program. This separate agreement will clearly describe the functions and activities to be developed, work schedule, personal profile, financing, rights and obligations of each Party, as well as the required documents necessary to determine the goals and scope of each program.

## **Article 3**

### **Commitments**

1. Both Institutions must adopt, as a general principle and to the extent of their budgetary possibilities, the financing of academic actions carried out by this agreement. The party which sends professors/technicians may cover transport expenses. The party which receives may cover living expenses. To finance such expenses, participants must apply to granting agencies and other national or international institutions.
2. Researches and administrative staff taking part in exchange activities must have health insurance valid during those activities.

## **Article 4**

### **Academic Products**

It is implicit that each and every activity undertaken under the Agreement is approved by the appropriate officials at each institution and falls within each institution's academic and fiscal constraints. The results of the cooperative researches including but not limited to any newly produced intellectual rights shall be operated earnestly and fairly through due consultation between the Parties.

## **Article 5**

### **Executors**

The activities developed within the scope of this Cooperation Agreement will be carried out by the members of both parties, appointed by each institution, according to the nature of the activities in each case, the parties being allowed to rely upon the support of external organizations.

An operational Standing Committee composed of two members of each of the signing Institutions will be nominated by the time of the signature of the present Agreement. The Committee will meet at least once a year to draw plans for the joint events. The meeting can occur by electronic means (such as e-conference).

## **Article 6**

### **Duration**

The present instrument will be valid for 5 (five) years, starting from the date of its signature.



## Article 7

### **Cancellation**

The Agreement shall come into effect upon signature of this document by authorized representatives of both universities and shall remain in force until terminated by either university by notification. The notification for termination of the Agreement shall be made not later than six months prior to the termination date. Regardless of termination, the Parties shall continue to fulfill their obligations hereunder until all participants who have commenced the program have completed the term in session at the time of termination. The Agreement may be modified at any time after due consultation between the Parties.

This instrument will be automatically extinguished if any circumstances foreseen in legislations ruling either one or both parties prevent the observance of its validity.

If the Agreement is not canceled it will be considered automatically renewed for a subsequent period of 5 (five) years.

## Article 8

### **Jurisdiction**

In the process of implementation of the Agreement's provisions the two institutions shall act according to the legislation of their home countries and inter-governmental agreements on cooperation in the fields of education, science and culture between the Republic of Kazakhstan and Italy.

All cooperative activities in article 1 above shall be done in compliance with all applicable laws, regulations and guidelines of the country and university in which the activity is conducted.

The Agreement is created in English. Two copies of the Agreement shall be made, one to be held by each university, and both shall serve as original.

Date:

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