GENERAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
UNIVERSIDADE DE LISBOA
AND
PEKING UNIVERSITY

1. INTRODUCTION

Universidade de Lisboa, located at Alameda da Universidade - Cidade Universitária, 1149-004 Lisboa - Portugal, represented by its Rector, Professor António Cruz Serra and Peking University, located at No.5 Yiheyuan Road, Haidian District, Beijing-China, represented by its President, Professor HAO Ping., hereinafter referred to as “parties”, establish this Agreement considering that it is in their best common interest to develop cooperation activities in their own areas, in accordance with the legal rules and regulations.

2. THE OBJECT

The purpose of this Agreement is to establish cooperation between the parties involved, in order to allow the development of academic, scientific and cultural activities.

3. ACTIVITIES

The parties agree upon the development of the following activities:

1. Research and teaching.
2. Technical cooperation.
3. Joint projects.
4. Academic staff exchange.
5. Students exchange.

All the projects of academic cooperation developed in the scope of this document must be determined by a Specific Agreement or Addendum and shall not exceed the validity of this Agreement.

3.1 - Research and teaching - The parties commit to cooperate in the scope of research and teaching at undergraduate and graduate level.

3.2 - Technical cooperation - The parties commit to establish cooperation procedures regarding the planning and implementation of studies and projects in their expertise areas.

3.3 - Joint projects - The parties commit to promote joint programs for studies and projects, encouraging the team building and foreseeable applications for international funding programs, through the Specific Agreements or Addenda.

3. 4 - Academic staff exchange - The parties commit to promote the exchange of academic staff regarding teaching, research, advisory activities and experiences sharing through the Specific Agreements or Addenda.
3.5 - Students exchange - The parties commit to promote students exchange at undergraduate, graduate or research levels, having the reciprocity principle as basis. The parties compromise in granting scholarships, whenever possible, for exchange students.

3.6 - Documentation and information - The parties will always keep up mutually and extensively informed about the development of every cooperation action, sending documentation and sharing the results of previous non-confidential studies. The joint production of documents will be encouraged, includingscientific and technical articles for journals and scientific meetings, arising from the activities of this Agreement.

4. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

The joint research activities with results subjected to protection of intellectual property should be considered in the Specific Agreements or Addenda to this Agreement. Both universities must work together in order to comply with their own specific Regulations.

5. FUNDING

5.1 – The parties involved have the responsibility to seek the necessary financial support to the development of activities under this Agreement and the Specific Agreements or the Addenda that are to be signed afterwards.

5.2 - They may be granted scholarships to mobility students under this Agreement, with due respect for the principle of reciprocity. The number, requisites and general conditions concerning these scholarships will be set annually, taking into account the budget defined by each institution.

6. MANAGEMENT OF THE AGREEMENT

The management of the Agreement will be accomplished by a coordinating committee, composed by representatives from each institution involved and their responsible in all the involved areas.

The coordinating committee shall draw up until the end of the Agreement an annual follow-up report, where must be described all actions taken and proposed and their evaluation results.

7. INSURANCE

All participants in exchange programs must provide adequate and valid proof of health insurance for the whole mobility period they’ve engaged in, respecting the terms specified before the trip, by the host institution.

8. EFFECTIVE TERM AND ALTERATIONS TO THE AGREEMENT

8.1 This Agreement will become effective upon the date of its signature and will be valid for a 5 years period, after which it may be renewed for the same period, through communication and delivered by one of the parties, minimum, 90 days before the end of this agreement.
8.2 Any alteration of the Agreement shall be accepted by both parties and will require the same procedure as the one used for the first agreement.

8.3 In the event of termination, both institutions will take all the necessary measures to avoid any prejudice to them or others and all ongoing actions shall continue until its conclusion.

This Agreement was read by both parties, and being aware to its full extent, thereby will sign it in duplicate.

Signed in

Prof. Doutor António Cruz Serra
Rector

Prof. HAO Ping
President