



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

UNIVERSITY OF FOGGIA

and

UNIVERSITY OF SUFFOLK

The general purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to establish specific educational relations and cooperation between the two institutions in order to promote academic and scientific linkages.

between

The University of Foggia, represented by Prof. Pierpaolo Limone, Rector of the University, under the powers conferred on him

and

The University of Suffolk, School of Health and Sports Sciences, represented by Dr Paul Driscoll-Evans, Pro Vice-Chancellor Health and Wellbeing, under the powers conferred on him.

IT IS HEREBY AGREED AS FOLLOWS

1.1 Declaration of Intent

1.1 The University of Foggia and the School of Health and Sports Sciences of the University of Suffolk (hereafter referred to as “Parties” or each as “Party”) agree on collaborating in the following fields:-

- a) Common research projects and funding bid shared applications (with reference to European funding opportunities)
- b) Clinical simulation collaboration (developing and sharing
- c) staff and student exchanges

1.2 The Parties will give their scientific and material support according to these activities and will nominate a member of the academic staff to lead on the establishment of a collaboration programme; this collaboration will be done primarily in the fields of Healthcare but does not exclude other programmes.

2.1 Academic and Cultural Co-operation

2.1 The Parties will be guided in the academic cooperation by a mutual interest and a common desire to contribute on the future development of academic and cultural co-operation.

To this purpose, the Parties agree upon the following forms of collaboration:

- a) development of common research in fields of reciprocal interest;
- b) faculty and student exchange for learning, teaching and research experiences;
- c) organisation and mutual participation in academic meetings, symposia and seminars;
- d) mutual exchange of experiences and information about teaching programmes and academic methods and techniques;
- e) exchange of academic publications.

2.2 The Parties agree in principle to the possibility of exchanges by academic and professional services staff. The details of such arrangements will be negotiated at the appropriate time and will be governed by the institutional staffing rules and relevant approval processes.

2.3 Each Party (School/Department/Research Centre participating in the exchange programme) will be responsible for the provision of funds to cover the travel expenses of its own staff members. The participating institutions shall not be responsible for any private arrangements made by participating staff members concerning the exchange of accommodation, vehicles, etc.

2.4 The Parties hereby authorise the representatives responsible for the coordination of the information and execution of this Memorandum of Understanding as follows:

2.4.1 The University of Foggia: Prof. Tommaso Cassano, Associate Professor, email: tommaso.cassano@unifg.it

2.4.2. The School of Health and Sports Sciences: Dr Antonio Bonacaro, Associate Professor, e-mail a.bonacaro@uos.ac.uk

3. Applicable Law and Arbitration

3.1 Disputes arising from this Memorandum of Understanding (or a subsequent more detailed agreement) or from differences in interpretation of this agreement (or a subsequent more detailed agreement) will be submitted to a board of arbitration of three (3) members of international arbitration institution which operates in English language. Each party will appoint a member; these members will appoint an independent third member, who will act as chairman. The arbitral proceedings shall be ritual and based upon its regulations. Decisions will be binding to the Parties.

4. Duration and language of the Agreement

4.1 The present agreement will come into force from the date of bilateral signature for a period of five (5) years and can be renewed depending on the Parties' will.

4.2 Either Party may terminate this Agreement at any time, and for any reason, by first notifying the other Party six (6) months in advance.

4.3. The Agreement can be amended at any time by the mutual consent of the Parties.

4.4 The present Agreement is written and duly signed in two copies in the English language on four pages. Each Party will receive one original copy duly signed by both Parties. In case of discrepancies the English language will prevail against the others.

Signed by the parties:-

University of Foggia	University of Suffolk School of Health & Sports Sciences
Signed: _____	 Signed:
Title: _____	Title: <u>Pro Vice-Chancellor Health and Wellbeing</u>
Date: _____	Date: <u>24/06/2022</u>