



# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING between UNIVERSITY OF BURGUNDY (France) and HELLENIC MEDITERRANEAN UNIVERSITY (Greece)

University of Burgundy and Hellenic Mediterranean University are exchanging this agreement to develop a spirit of amity and cooperation with each other.

- 1. This agreement aims to promote international academic cooperation and the exchange of teaching and research experiences between University of Burgundy (uB) and Hellenic Mediterranean University (HMU).
- 2. The two institutions will cooperate in developing friendship and mutual interests on a reciprocal basis of respect for the independence and equal status of institution.
- 3. The two institutions agree to:
  - a. exchange academic materials and information;
  - b. mutually receive educational visits by faculty members and researchers;
  - c. exchange students;
  - d. hold joint international conferences;
  - e. conduct joint research projects;
  - f. engage in other activities to better enhance mutual understanding and cooperation.
- 4. The details of this agreement are to be decided by more specific agreements after consultation between the two institutions.
- 5. This agreement will be effective by the signature of one or more specific agreements. It may be revised with the consent of both universities, or terminated at the initiative of any university with a written notice at the latest by January 31 for a termination at the end of the ongoing programme edition.
- 6. This agreement is executed in English in two originals and each institution will retain one original.

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President	Rector
University of Burgundy	Hellenic Mediterranean University
Date :	Date :

#### ANNEX 1 To the Memorandum of Understanding between University of Burgundy (uB) and Hellenic Mediterranean University (HMU)

The University of Burgundy (uB) / Centre Universitaire Condorcet (Le Creusot campus) and the Hellenic Mediterranean University (HMU) / School of Engineering, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering decide to jointly conduct a "Master Double Degree Programme" in the fields of Informatics Engineering/Computer Vision and Robotics.

# I. MANAGEMENT OF THE MOBILITY PROGRAMME

For the purposes of this cooperation,

HMU shall be represented by the Director of the Master Programme in Informatics Engineering offered by the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, and uB shall be represented by the Director of the Centre Universitaire Condorcet, Le Creusot campus.

The programme shall be taught and assessed in English.

# II. DEFINITION

- a. The Master double degree programme allows candidates, after confirmation of admission by the HMU and uB selection committees, to register as full-time students at the two above mentioned universities and to obtain a master degree from both universities if he/she fully meets the corresponding degree award requirements from both universities.
- b. Candidates who register for the programme shall choose one university as the home university (hereinafter referred to as "first University") and another university as the partner university (hereinafter referred to as "second University").

#### III. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND ELIGIBILITY

- a. It is agreed that the eligible candidates of this programme shall be candidates who fulfil the academic and administrative admission requirements of each respective university.
- b. A candidate having fulfilled the admission requirements of HMU shall choose HMU as the First University and register for the M.Sc. Informatics Engineering programme offered by HMU. The candidate is eligible to register for the Master of Science TSI (hereinafter referred to as "M.Sc. Vision") in uB having satisfied the admission requirements of uB and having chosen uB as the Second University.
- c. Similarly, a candidate having fulfilled the entry requirements of uB shall choose uB as the First University and register for the M.Sc. Vision programme offered by uB. The candidate is eligible to register for the Masters of Informatics Engineering programme offered by HMU having satisfied the entry requirements of HMU and having chosen HMU as the Second University.
- d. The mandatory language level in English is B2 for candidates from both universities.

#### IV. DEGREE AWARD

It is agreed that both HMU and uB will award a Master degree to the candidate if the candidate fully meets the degree award criteria of both universities. The degrees for the candidates who successfully fulfil the requirements are as follows:

#### *i) M.Sc. Informatics Engineering programme – HMU*

and

 ii) M.Sc. Vision – uB Diplôme de master – Master Recherche Domaine : Sciences et Techniques Mention : Traitement du Signal et des Images (TSI) Parcours : Computer Vision (VIBOT)

# V. CREDITS

The minimum credit requirement for the award of the Master Double Degree:

- a. The minimum credit requirement for the HMU Master degree programme is 90 ECTS (considering that UB students should have obtained 60 ECTS at first university, and that those ECTS would be recognized at the second university as part of their Master programme).
- b. The minimum credit requirement for the uB Master degree programme is 120 ECTS over the two-year Master programme (considering that HMU students should have obtained 60 ECTS at first university, and that those ECTS would be recognized at the second university as part of their Master programme).

#### VI. ACADEMIC IMPLEMENTATION

It is agreed that all candidates who register for the Double Degree Master programme have the opportunity to follow one of these paths:

a. The students from HMU shall spend the 2 semesters of their first year at HMU to undertake the programme M.Sc. in Informatics Engineering. Then, if the uB M2 admission requirements are fulfilled, HMU students will come to uB during the third semester to continue their studies.

During the fourth semester, the student can either do an internship at HMU or uB or any other partner institution.

The list of mandatory and optional modules is presented in Pedagogical Annex 1.

b. The students from uB could spend the first semester of their first year in uB to undertake to programme M.Sc. Vision, and then the second semester in HMU. Then the students will go back to uB during the third semester to continue their studies. During the fourth semester, the student can either do an internship at HMU or uB or any other partner institution.

The list of mandatory and optional modules is presented in Pedagogical Annex 1.

#### VII. PROGRAMME REGISTRATION

- a. Each university shall administer its student admission and university registration process.
- b. The date of registration shall depend upon each university's academic calendar, or otherwise as agreed by both parties.
- c. While enrolled in the programme, the students shall hold full-time student status and personally pay the full tuition fee of the involved university, following the payment procedure provided by their programme administration. The tuition fee is as per agreed by the both parties.
- d. All relevant student records and mandatory administrative supporting documents must be provided to both universities.

#### VIII. PROJECT SUPERVISION

- a. It is agreed that all students under this programme shall be jointly supervised by academics from both universities. Both universities will cooperatively discuss the necessity and possibility of an exchange programme for supervisors in order to properly supervise the students' education and research.
- b. Otherwise, the supervision may be performed via video conferencing, e-mails, and other electronic means of communication.

#### IX. TUITION FEES

- a. uB Student registering for the programme shall pay HMU five hundred euros (500€) as tuition fees.
- b. HMU Student registering for the programme shall pay uB one thousand five hundred euros (1500€) as tuition fees. This amount includes both the specific programme fees and the French (yearly) national tuition fees defined as university student's registration fees.
- c. Students registering at uB will also be required to pay the National Campus and Student Life Contribution (CVEC) (92€/year in 2020-2021) which is mandatory, prior to any university registration in France.
- d. Any additional semester started at uB requires payment of at least the national university fees of the involved new academic year.

#### X. STUDENT RELATED ARRANGEMENTS

- a. All required programme admission and registration related documents for students who are accepted by the respective institutions, must be submitted by the given deadline, in order to facilitate visa preparations, if required, and allow timely student registration, prior to academic year start off.
- b. All students must comply with the host university's requirements for pre-enrollment health certification and immunization, and any applicable additional sanitary measures.

- c. All students must have appropriate health cover (private global cover or European Health Insurance Card (EHIC)), student liability, accident, and repatriation insurance. Non-European students must enrol in French National Social Security system upon their arrival in France.
- d. The host institution will provide institutional support for enhancement of access to student housing. Each student shall personally perform and remains fully responsible for his/her housing application and other student life and travel arrangements, as well as payment of his /her rent, insurances, travel, and any other living expenses.
- e. Students shall be subject to the disciplinary codes of each institution where the study is undertaken. If an alleged offence is committed within the precincts of one of the member institutions, the disciplinary code of that institution shall apply.
- f. For any traineeship performed at the student's home university, the student will fall again under national law, health cover scheme and university rules and cover.

#### XI. DURATION OF THE AGREEMENT

This agreement is effective for 5 years beginning with the academic year 2021/2022. It may be revised with the consent of both universities, or terminated at the initiative of either of the two parties with a written notice at the latest by January 31 for a termination at the end of the ongoing academic year. Any termination must consider the right of students already participating or accepted in the exchange programme, to complete it.

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# PEDAGOGICAL ANNEX 1 (To Annex 1)

#### List of modules to be taken by students while at HMU:

Semester 1	
1 compulsory module	Project Management and Research Methodologies
+ 2 among	Advanced Software Engineering & Big Data Modelling Computational Intelligence Applied Mathematics
+ 1 among the rest of the modules	

Semester 2	
2 compulsory module	Data structures and Algorithms Advances on digital imaging and computer vision
+1 among	Advanced Topics in Artificial Intelligence Advanced Embedded Systems
+ 1 among the rest of the modules	

#### List of modules to be taken by students while at UB:

Semester 3	
	Advanced Image Analysis
	Multi-Sensor Fusion and Tracking
5 compulsory modules	Real Time Imaging and Control
	Robotics Project
	Local Culture

The *project and dissertation* (30 credits) is a final compulsory module to be taken during a fourth semester in order to have the double degree. It can be organized at HMU or at UB or at another partner institution.