

COOPERATION PROTOCOL

Universidade de Aveiro, Public Foundation with a private law system, headquartered at *Campus* Universitário de Santiago, 3810-193 Aveiro, Portugal, collective entity no. 501 461 108, duly represented by Prof. Doctor Paulo Jorge dos Santos Gonçalves Ferreira, as Rector, hereinafter also referred to as “**UA**” or “**Universidade de Aveiro**”,

and

Universidad de Chile, State Higher Education Institution, headquartered at Av. Libertador Bernardo O'Higgins 1058, Santiago, Chile, duly represented by Prof. Rosa Devés Alessandri, as Rector, hereinafter also referred to as “**UCHILE**” or “**University of Chile**”.

Considering that,

- The Universidade de Aveiro and Universidad de Chile recognize the importance of international institutional collaboration as part of their respective missions, and for the enhancement of their faculty members, researchers and students;
- The Parties acknowledge their mutual interest in establishing this collaboration;
- The participation of faculty members and researchers in cooperation activities, as part of the mission of the Universidade de Aveiro, is compatible with the exclusive dedication regime;
- Accordingly, the Parties agree that collaborative activities shall be formalized through written agreements.

The present Protocol enters into force freely and in good faith, and shall be governed by the following clauses:

First Clause

Scope

The purpose of this Protocol is to establish academic, scientific and cultural cooperation between the Parties in fields of common interest.

Second Clause

Types of Actions

1. In order to achieve the common purpose of this Protocol, as set forth in the previous clause, the Parties agree to develop joint actions, namely:
 - a) Pedagogical and scientific exchange of faculty, researchers, staff and the mobility of students in undergraduate and graduate training programs;
 - b) The organization of academic, cultural and scientific initiatives, namely through the joint organization of seminars, conferences and/or other meetings;
 - c) The joint development of research activities and research projects;
 - d) Other activities within the mission of the Parties and considered to be of mutual interest, under terms to be defined and agreed upon between them.
2. The international mobility of students foreseen in this Protocol may take one of the following two forms:
 - a) Student exchange: this type of mobility shall take place on a reciprocal system and with balanced flows;
 - b) Visiting students: this type of mobility shall involve the inclusion of students in the scope of specific programs, in the area of teaching and/or research.

Third Clause

Protocol Execution

1. The collaborative activities that are the object of this Protocol shall be defined by the Parties through specific collaboration agreements.
2. Those aspects that are complementary to the conditions set forth in this Protocol, including the rights and obligations of the Parties and those that require specific regulation, in particular regarding the number of students and their status, the work programs of the specific projects covered by this Protocol, as well as their content, expenses, duration, confidentiality and ownership of the research results, among others, shall be established in each specific agreement.

Fourth Clause

Coordination

1. The actions developed under this Protocol shall be coordinated by Prof. Doctor Sandra Cristina de Oliveira Soares, Vice-Rector, on behalf of the Universidade de Aveiro, and by Prof. Doctor Alicia Salomone, on behalf of Universidad de Chile.
2. In order to monitor, plan and regularly evaluate the implementation of this Protocol, as well as to adopt any decisions that may be necessary for its proper implementation, the Parties shall hold periodic meetings between their representatives.

3. The Parties may amend the above designations whenever deemed necessary, without amending this Protocol, by giving written or electronic notice to the other Party.

Fifth Clause

Duration, Amendments and early termination.

1. This Protocol shall enter into effect on the date of the latest signature by the authorized representatives of the Parties, and shall remain for two (2) years, being automatically renewed for successive and equal periods, unless either Party gives written notice of its intention to terminate this Protocol to the other Party with at least 90 days prior notice of the intended date of termination.
2. The Protocol may be amended in whole or in part, or terminated, always by written agreement between the Parties.
3. In any event, the Parties will take the necessary measures to avoid all damages or prejudice to themselves or to the third parties, it being understood that the actions or activities already started must continue until their due conclusion.

Sixth Clause

Interpretation and dispute resolution

This Protocol is the result of good faith; therefore, any disputes arising between the Parties concerning its interpretation, formalization, or compliance, shall be resolved by mutual agreement between the Parties, taking into account the applicable regulations and statutes and other relevant legislation.

Seventh Clause

Gender-based Violence

The Parties declare to know and accept the internal regulations on sexual harassment, violence and gender discrimination in the academic environment of its own University, specifically for the University of Chile, expressed, particularly, in its University Policy to Prevent Sexual Harassment at the University of Chile (2017), and its models, in its Student Regulations (D.U. N°007586, of 1993), its Student Disciplinary Jurisdiction Regulations (D.U. N°0026685, of 2019) and its Protocol of Action in the event of Complaints of Sexual Harassment, Gender Violence, Workplace Harassment and Arbitrary Discrimination (D.U. N°0026723, de 2024), instruments that are permanently available on the following institutional website: <https://direcciondegenero.uchile.cl/repositorio/>, and as for the Universidade de Aveiro, the applicable regulations in force.

Eighth Clause

Data protection and transparency

1. The Parties undertake to safeguard the confidentiality of the personal data and sensitive data to which they may eventually have access by virtue of the Agreement to be signed, limiting its use to the purposes established therein, and that each party shall be responsible for full compliance with the regulations applicable to them and currently in force regarding the processing of personal data and sensitive data, especially the Regulation (EU) 2016/679, of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and specifically for the University of Chile, those contained in Article 19 N°4 of the Political Constitution of the Republic of Chile; in Law No. 19.628, on the protection of private life; and Law No. 20,575, which establishes the principle of purpose in the processing of personal data.

2. In the same sense, it is hereby stated that the Agreement and all documents and information shared by one party to the other, directly or indirectly related to the commitment, shall be treated as confidential information, which may only be used for the purposes for which it has been shared and may not be disclosed to any other person without prior agreement of the Parties, without prejudice to due compliance with the requirements arising from the Regulation (EU) 2016/679, and specifically for the University of Chile, the Law No. 20.285, on access to public information, or other applicable legal or regulatory provisions.

Signed and initialed in duplicate, in English, which shall be sent to the representatives of each Party/ This Agreement consists of a single copy, signed by the Parties by means of digital signature in the applicable legal terms.".

For and on behalf of
Universidade de Aveiro - UA

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Universidad de Chile - UCHILE

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