INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT FOR EXCHANGE OF PhD STUDENTS BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF PAVIA, ITALY, AND XIAMEN UNIVERSITY, CHINA

The Department of Structural Mechanics in the University of Pavia and the Department of Civil Engineering in Xiamen University are now in progress scientific research of common interests. Scientific contact has been developed since a long time between the researchers of the two institutions.

The University of Pavia and Xiamen University are expressing the interest for an agreement, as reference frame to keep and extend the contact between the two Universities and, in particular, to encourage the exchange of PhD students.

According to their mutual interest in the field of education and research, Unipv, presented by Rector, Professor Angiolino Stella, and Xiamen University, presented by President, Professor Chongshi, Zhu, signed the following collaboration agreement (from now called agreement)

Article 1

By this Agreement, in accordance with their existing administrative, legal, financial rules, the University of Pavia, Italy, and Xiamen University, are expressing the interest for exchanging professors, research staff, and doctoral students.

Article 2

Each institution, for Unipv the Coordinator of the Graduated School in Civil Engineering, for Xiamen University, the School of Architecture and Civil Engineering will elect a member of its Academic Institution as representative of this agreement. The Representatives will be responsible for all actions required by the agreement and, in particular, for the formulation and implementation of the program. Representatives will report annually to their respective academic authorities about the results and progress achieved. Both institutions will do all the effort to raise funds at national and international bodies in order to ensure financial support for the implementation of that program.

The exchange of the staff by this Agreement is considered to be from the Graduate School of Civil Engineering of the University of Pavia, Italy, and the School of Architecture and Civil Engineering of Xiamen University.

Article 3

Each exchange of professors and Ph.D. students must be approved in advance, by the host institution. The departments involved will support these exchanges, as they can legally and financially, to make the staying profitable. Details will be considered case-by-case with subsequent agreements between the parties.

The subjects of the visits are:

· Lecturing on regular post-graduate courses;

- Lecturing on the seminary for the faculty/department staff on problems of particular interests (main topics of professional interests of the visitors);
- Exchange of experience in the area of education or research;
 Planning and preparing the joint research projects for financing by the 7th EU Framework Program or by bi-lateral cooperation programs, or by other sources.

Article 4

The duration of each visit should be one week, with a possibility of extension to two weeks in special cases.

Article 5

The total period of exchange, for each side, is foreseen to be five weeks for one year.

Article 6

The two institutions will try to get national or international funds to assure the financial support of the project. By the mutual agreement, in the absence of special joint funds, the host institution will cover accommodation, meal and local expanses.

Article 7

Two coordinators are nominated for the practical realization of the visits:

- Professor Fabio Casciati from the University of Pavia , Italy;
- Professor Ying, LEI from Xiamen University, China

The coordinators are responsible for planning and realization of the visits in accordance with the existing rules and practice of each department and the institutions engaged in this program.

Article 8

This Agreement is valid within three years from the moment of its authorization by both sides, with the possibility for further extension, if it is foreseen as an interest by both parties.

University of Pavia

Date:

Rector: Prof. Angiolino Stella

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Xiamen University

President: Prof. Zhu Chongshi

Date: 06/07/2008

中国厦门大学与意大利帕维亚大学交换博士研究生的国际框架协议

帕维亚大学的结构力学系与厦门大学的土木工程系正在共同感兴趣的领域进行着科学研究,两所大学的科研工作人员间已建立了较长的时间的学术联系。

帕维亚大学与厦门大学有意达成这项协议,可进一步加强两所大学的合作交流,特别是鼓励博士研究生的交换学习。

基于两所大学在教学和科研方面的共同兴趣,帕维亚大学的校长Angiolino Stella教授和厦门大学校长朱崇实教授共同签署了以下合作协议(简称协议)。

条款一

此协议中,依据意大利帕维亚大学和厦门大学现行的行政,法规及财务制度, 两所大学表示愿意进行教授,研究人员和博士研究生的交换。

第二款

帕维亚大学土木工程研究生部和厦门大学建筑和土木工程学院将从各自的研究机构中各选出一人作为本协议的负责人。负责人将负责本协议所需一切行为,特别是本项目的具体制定与实施。负责人需每年向各自的学术机构汇报所取得的成果与进步。两所大学都需尽力从国内和国际机构筹备资金,以确保有足够的资金支持本项目的实施。

本协议的交换对象应来自于意大利帕维亚大学土木工程研究生部和厦门大学建筑土木工程院。

第三款

每个交换教授和博士研究生都需提前获得主办机构的批准。相关部门应尽可能从制度和财政上对该交换项目进行支持,以保证交换活动有益。具体条款的制定将视具体情况由双方在随后的协议中给出。

访问主题包括:

- 针对一般研究生课程的讲座:
- 为学院的教职员进行专题学术讲座(访问学者的学术兴趣的主题);
- 进行教学和科研方面的经验交流:
- 筹划并准备由欧盟第7项项目、双边合作计划或其他来源提供资金的合作研究项目:

第四款

每次访问时间应为一个星期,特殊情况可延至两个星期。

第五款

双方各自交换时间预定为每年五个星期。

第六款

双方将设法获得国家或国际的基金,以保证项目的经费支持。 双方同意,若无专门联合基金,接待方将承担访问者的住宿、膳食及在当地的费用。

第七款

本协议推荐以下两名教授负责访问工作的实施:

- 意大利帕维亚大学的Fabio Casciati 教授;
- 中国厦门大学的雷鹰教授;

这两名负责人根据该系和相关部门的现行规章制度,负责访问项目的具体计划安排和实施。

第八款

本协议自双方签署起三年内有效。若有必要,双方可延续本协议。

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日期: 200%年 7 月 6 日

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