DPI AMU-UniGE

The main aspects of the International Master Diploma programme are listed below as an English translation of the relevent items of the Italian/French convention

Article 1: Goal

AMU (France) and UNIGE (Italy) agree to work together to organise the provision of specialised training in physics, leading to the award of the diploma of:

- <u>Master in Physics</u> (FunPhys)

and

- Laurea Magistrale in Fisica

Article 2: Duration of training

This Master's degree will range over 2 years, i.e. 4 semesters.

Article 3: **Objectives of the programme**

3-1: General goal:

To enable students to acquire the skills and knowledge in the fields of Physics favourable to a professional insertion or to the pursuit of a thesis at doctoral level in cotutelle.

In collaboration with the Universities of Aix-Marseille and Genoa, this will result in a scientific training that will enable students to exercise functions of high responsibility capable of meeting the requirements of research and development in the public and private sectors within the framework of experimental and theoretical physics.

3-2: Specific objectives:

To enable students from both universities to benefit from the programme and teaching of the Master's degree in Physics at AMU and the "Laurea Magistrale in Fisica (LM-17)" at UNIGE.

Article 4: Organisation and content of the training course

4-1: organisation of training:

The students admitted to the training follow part of their studies in the host university. The students follow the courses for obtaining the required credits at the host University, according to the indications of a bilateral commission (see article 5.2) and according to what is established in the **attached appendix**.

- 4-2: Courses given in this French-Italian joint Master degree are taught in English.
- 4-3: Students should spend at least one semester at the partner university, preferably between semesters S2 & S3 (S1 is to be avoided). The Internship can be held either at the home university or at the partner university.

4-4: Internship in the framework of this double-degree

The internship gives 30 ECTS credits. For the University of Genoa, the final exam includes the internship and a 6-credit preparatory exam chosen among the exams in the student's study plan.

Article 5: Assessment modalities of the training

5-1: Methods of knowledge assessment. Students from the Universities of Aix-Marseille and Genoa will be assessed in accordance with the rules of knowledge assessment established in each university. *French students going to Italy will be subject to the Genoa rule* and vice-versa for Italian students coming to Aix-Marseille. In particular, **in Genoa:** marks have a maximum of 30 (and congratulations) and the average is set at 18. The final grade for graduation is set at a maximum of 110 (and congratulations), and the average grade for graduation is set at 66.

Procedures for the constitution of a Mixed Jury or Bilateral Commission: The mixed jury is composed of 6 people, three from the University of Genoa and three from Aix-Marseille University, including the two responsibles for the double degree from the two universities. The tasks of the

Bilateral Commission are as follows: planning and supervision of the student's individual course.

Article 6: Admission of students

- 6.1: Students selected by their university for the double degree programme must have a sufficient level of language proficiency (B2 level) to continue their studies at the host institution. The host university reserves the right to reject applicants who do not meet these requirements.
- 6-2: The selection of candidates will be based on the evaluation of their academic records. In order to be admitted, students must hold a degree of "Laurea Triennale in Fisica" or the "Bachelor in Physics" and be regularly enrolled in the Laurea Magistrale in Fisica (LM-17) or in the Master in Physics.
- 6-3 Admission decisions are taken by each institution after consultation with the partner university. To this end, the two universities undertake to send each other the following documents: the names of the selected students, any other document necessary for registration requested by the administration.
- 6-4: Both universities limit the total number of admissions to 5 students per year.

Article 7: Tuition Fees

The student registers at the two universities from which he or she wishes to graduate. The student pays the tuition fees in effect at his/her home university, but is exempt from paying them at the host university. Registered at both universities, students will be able to follow an academic year at the partner university without having to pay additional fees.

To obtain the degree in Italy, the student will pay the insurance contribution, stamp duty and a fee for the issue of the final title.

Article 8: Students' Mobility

- 8-1: Transport, accommodation and insurance costs are the responsibility of the student. However, each of the two universities will submit applications for support to appropriate bodies (to the Erasmus+ agency in each of the two countries, Université Franco-Italienne (UFI) project Vinci, Cooperlink, AMU Institutes, AMU outgoing mobility plan, etc).
- 8-2: The host university undertakes, as far as possible, to help and guide the student in mobility in his or her search for accommodation and to provide the student with the information and assistance available concerning the reception of foreign students.
- 8.3 Students from outside the EU must respect the rules for entry and stay in Italy and France.
- 8-4: Students will be expected to comply with the rules of the host university, as well as the laws of the host country.
- 8-5: Penalty: In case of serious breach of rules, particularly in the area of discipline, each institution will apply its internal procedure in force.

Article 9: Award of the Diploma

Registered students will be required to prepare a single final thesis, written and discussed in English. The discussion of the thesis will take place at the student's home university, unless otherwise agreed between the parties. Each student will have at least one professor from the University of origin as an advisor.

Upon request and with the agreement of the host institution, the host institution may organize a videoconference to allow teachers from the partner institution to participate in the discussion. Students who return to their home University after completing their stay at the partner University will be provided with the following:

- a transcript of marks indicating the exams passed, as well as the grade obtained and the teaching credits validated,
- a diploma with the indication of the studies followed and the grade obtained, and any other document requested by the administration.
- If they have satisfied the conditions defined by article 5-1 relating to the system of knowledge

control, students are awarded two diplomas at the end of their studies: an Italian diploma awarded by the University of Genoa and entitled 'Laurea Magistrale in Fisica' (LM-17), a French diploma awarded by Aix-Marseille University and entitled "Master in Physics". For the grade of the diploma, refer to article 5-1.

Article 10: Supplement to the double degree

Pursuant to the French Ministerial Decree of 8 April 2002 on the award of Bachelor's and Master's degrees and pursuant to Italian Ministerial Decree No 270 of 22 October 2004, a diploma supplement must be attached at the time of award of the higher education diploma. The purpose of this document is to improve transparency and facilitate recognition. It describes the nature of the studies, the level, context and status of the studies completed by the individual whose name appears on the original diploma to which the supplement is attached.