



Universidade de Santiago de Compostela
(USC)



Universal Scientific Education
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**CULTURAL, SCIENTIFIC AND PEDAGOGICAL CONVENTION BETWEEN
THE UNIVERSITY OF SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA
AND THE UNIVERSAL SCIENTIFIC EDUCATION AND RESEARCH
NETWORK (USERN)**

The University of **Santiago de Compostela**, aforementioned as USC, located at Colexio de San Xerome, Praza do Obradoiro, s/n, 15782 Santiago de Compostela (Spain), represented by its Rector, Prof. Juan M. Viano, PhD

And the Universal Scientific Education and Research Network, aforementioned as USERN, represented by its President, Dr. Nima Rezaei, MD, PhD

1st.- The University of Santiago de Compostela is a public institution that carries out education, research and scientific and technological development activities. As stated in its Statute, the USC shall favour the establishment of relations with other universities, organizations and institutions, particularly with those of academic, scientific and cultural nature.

2nd.- The Universal Scientific Education and Research Network (USERN) is organized exclusively for advancement of authentic, ethical and professional scientific research and education and consequently advancement of science for public good.

Both institutions, with the desire of promoting scientific culture by means of collaboration in the fields of research and teaching, -excluding those aspects leading to the development of warlike or arm projects- enter into the following **CONVENTION** in the conviction that it constitutes the best mechanism for furthering knowledge in both institutions to their mutual benefit:

Clause One

The present convention establishes the general principles and conditions under which both institutions intend to collaborate.

The objectives of the present convention are the promotion of the development and spreading of culture and, especially, the development of higher education at graduate and postgraduate level and scientific and technological research.

Clause Two

To fulfil the indicated objectives, both parts, by mutual agreement, will carry out cooperation programmes and projects by means of specific agreements.

Clause Three

The specific agreements to the present convention will cover the following aspects:

- a) Exchange of teaching staff, researchers and students;
- b) Training of teaching staff and researchers;
- c) Exchange of information and documentation;
- d) Graduate and postgraduate courses;
- e) Seminars, conferences, discussions, meetings, sessions, etc.
- f) Publications and scientific projects.

Clause Four

The specific agreements appended to the present convention shall be approved by the Governing Body of both institutions and signed by their legal representatives.

No exchange programme and/or cooperation project shall be carried out without being, previously, defined and regulated in a specific agreement.

Clause Five

The present convention will take effect from the day of signing, and will remain in force for two years, being automatically renewed for successive two-year periods, unless it is cancelled by mutual agreement or by any of the parties, upon written notice given three months prior to the date of termination.

The termination of the present Convention will not affect to the programmes and projects established in specific agreements until they are finished.

On behalf of the USC

Juan M. Viano, PhD
Rector

Date:

Viano
19th April 2016

On behalf of the USERN

Nima Rezaei, MD, PhD
President

Date: April 19th, 2016

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