



UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI
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MINNESOTA

**AGREEMENT PROTOCOL
BETWEEN
UNIVERSITA' DEGLI STUDI SUOR ORSOLA BENINCASA (ITALY)
AND
UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS (ST. PAUL, MN USA)**

UNIVERSITA' DEGLI STUDI SUOR ORSOLA BENINCASA (Italy), via Suor Orsola 10, 80135, Naples, C.F. 80040520639, represented by the Rector, prof. Lucio d'Alessandro, and the University of St. Thomas agree to establish a framework of cooperation.

In particular, cooperation between the Universities could take into consideration one or more of the following activities:

- exchanging of students, including PhD students;
- exchanging documents and scholarly publications of shared interest;
- exchanging information on the intermediate and final results of research projects;
- exchanging of professors, researchers and technicians (and any other academic staff members);
- providing reciprocal use of the existing online facilities of both Institutions for cross-dissemination;
- organization of seminars, workshops, scientific meetings and lectures;
- activation of visiting scholarships and professorships, including lectures to be held in one of the organisations or both;
- design and implementation of research projects and any other public and private funded activities that could provide benefits for both organisation and in which both organisation are officially involved (as soon as of these project will be launched, financial and contractual agreements will be regulated by ad-hoc documents, duly signed by authorised persons);
- design and implementation of educational initiatives of mutual interests to be host in one and/or both organisations;

The present agreement does not entail any economic and financial effort and/or transfer of resources for one or both organizations. Cooperation with financial and economic implications is to be regulated through specific agreements to be signed by authorized person of each parties

The contact persons in charge of the cooperation agreement will be:

Università degli Studi Suor Orsola Benincasa- Prof. Lucio D'Alessandro

University of St. Thomas, International Education Center – Dennis Hart, Ph.D.

Sarah E. Spencer

The present agreement protocol will be valid from the date of the signature for a period of five years.

In the event of a disagreement or other dispute arising from or in connection with this Memorandum or any of its terms, both parties agree to engage in a good faith effort to resolve the dispute through negotiations between representatives of both parties who have authority to settle the same. If the parties fail to settle a dispute within 60 days, the dispute shall be settled by arbitration under the UNCITRAL Arbitration rules in effect on the date of this agreement. The language of the arbitration will be English. This Memorandum and any Activity Agreements will be governed by and construed in



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accordance with the laws of the State of Minnesota, USA, without reference to its conflicts of law provisions.

This Memorandum may be terminated by either party for any reason upon ninety (90) days' written notice. Notwithstanding the foregoing, either party may terminate this Memorandum immediately by providing notice to the other party in the event of (a) conduct by one party that is materially injurious to the other party, monetarily, in reputation or otherwise, or (b) a determination by a party that continued performance of the terms of this Memorandum could lead to a violation of applicable law or could jeopardize the party's tax-exempt status. In the event this Memorandum is terminated, the parties will negotiate the completion and winding down of any Activity Agreements in progress at the time of termination of this Memorandum.