AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION

ON

ACADEMIC COLLABORATION BETWEEN

CONSORZIO NAZIONALE INTERUNIVERSITARIO PER LE TELECOMUNUNICAZIONI AND THE LNM INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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INTENDING to actively contribute to the preparation of a technology and scientific co-operation programme between India and Italy to be proposed to the competent Ministries in both Countries.

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- Art.2 The scope of co-operation between the Parties shall include the following areas of ICT:-
 - Computer Science and Informatics
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- Art.3 Beginning from the year 2021, faculty exchange in the above areas for periods ranging from 2 to 10 months will be initiated subject to availability of funds and other resources of the Parties. Opportunities will be communicated in due time from one Party to the other.
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- Art.5 Should intellectual property rights arise out of any activity under this Memorandum of Understanding, the allocation of ownership of these rights shall be determined on a case-by-case basis conjointly by both the parties, in accordance with eventual pre-existing obligations of the hosting Party, the applicable domestic laws, and the international principles.
- Art.6 The Parties shall designate one representative each to guarantee a stable link and a smooth running of the initiatives. Any and all disputes between the Parties concerning interpretation and/or implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled amicably through consultations and/or negotiations between the representatives.
- Art.7 This Memorandum of Understanding shall come into force from the date of the signature and shall continue to remain in force unless it is terminated by either Party by giving six months notice in writing of its intention to terminate it.

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Jaipur (India) on 28/04/2021

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> IL DIRETTORE (Prof.Ing.Nicola Blefari Melazzi)

Jaipur (India) on April 29, 2021

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