

AGREEMENT
FOR THE JOINT SUPERVISION OF A DOCTORAL THESIS
BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY FOR FOREIGNERS IN SIENA
AND
THE UNIVERSITY OF _____

The University for Foreigners in Siena, based in Siena (Italy), in Piazza Carlo Rosselli 27/28, represented by the Rector, Prof. Pietro Cataldi,

AND

The University of _____, based in _____, represented by the Rector/President/Director _____

with the aim of promoting scientific cooperation between the parties through the mobility of doctoral students

for the University for Foreigners in Siena:

- HAVING REGARD TO Law 210 of 3 July 1998, and in particular art. 4;
- HAVING REGARD TO Law 240 of 30 December 2010, and in particular art. 19;
- HAVING REGARD TO Ministerial Decree no. 45 of 8 February 2013, and in particular art. 10;
- HAVING REGARD TO the Regulations of the Doctoral School of the University for Foreigners in Siena, issued through Rectoral Decree no. 283.15 of 4 June 2015, and in particular art. 13.
- HAVING REGARD TO the Regulations of the Doctoral Research Programmes issued through Rectoral Decree No. 281.14 del 10/06/2014, and in particular articles 12 and 14;
- HAVING REGARD TO the decisions of the Academic Senate and of the Board of Directors, dated respectively.....;

for the partner University _____:

AGREE,

in compliance with the laws and regulations in force in each Country and Institution, to underwrite a joint supervision agreement in favour of Mr./Ms.

_____.

PART ONE - ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

Art. 1. Starting in a.y. _____, Mr./Ms. _____, a citizen of _____, born in _____ on _____, holding the following

academic qualification: _____, is enrolled on a doctoral research programme at both universities.

The student is enrolled at the University for Foreigners in Siena as the primary seat and at the University of _____ as the secondary seat.

Art. 2. At the University for Foreigners in Siena, enrolment is on the doctoral programme in _____, cycle no. _____ (from _____ to _____)

At the University of _____, enrolment is on the doctoral programme in _____, cycle / academic year no. _____ (from _____ to _____).

Enrolment fees are to be paid to the University for Foreigners in Siena.

The doctoral student is exempt from payment of fees to the other University.

Art. 3. The doctoral student is responsible for completing all administrative formalities required by the two doctoral programmes on which he/she is enrolled, including the procedures for enrolment, enrolment in subsequent years, requests to sit the final exam and/or for deferral.

Art. 4. The doctoral student is responsible for securing his/her own health insurance.

Doctoral students at the University for Foreigners in Siena who undertake periods of international mobility are covered, throughout their stay abroad, by the same form of personal accident and public liability insurance as they have in Italy.

The doctoral student must consider, based on the destination Country, whether he/she should take out - at his/her own expense - supplementary personal accident and public liability insurance.

PART TWO - ACADEMIC ARRANGEMENTS

Art. 5. The topic of the research thesis, which will be prepared under joint supervision, is:

Mr./Ms. _____ will prepare the thesis under the joint guidance of the professors:

- _____ (professor at the University Department for Education and Research (DADR) at the University for Foreigners in Siena)
- _____ (professor at the Department of _____ at the University of _____)

The above-said Professors exercise jointly the competences assigned to them in respect of responsibility and control of thesis work and undertake to fully exercise their supervisory roles.

The approval of both supervisors, expressed in a detailed report, is a necessary prerequisite for the doctoral student's admission to the final exam.

Art. 6. The duration of the doctoral research programme is three years.

The doctoral student will undertake his/her research activity at both universities, alternating between the two and for roughly equal periods of time, in agreement with both supervisors and in respect of scientific requirements, as follows:

MONTHS		UNIVERSITY
from	to	

The period of study abroad must last at least 6 months.

The doctoral student's academic commitments are decided in mutual agreement, in accordance with the rules set out by the reference bodies of the two involved doctoral programmes.

Art. 7. The thesis will be presented to a Board of Examiners during a single final exam at the seat of the University for Foreigners in Siena.

Pursuant to art. 10 of the Regulations governing doctoral research programmes issued through Rectoral Decree No. 281.14 of 10/06/2014, the methods and timing of thesis submission are established by the University Council.

The doctoral student can request an extension of the three year period set for thesis preparation under joint supervision, subject to approval by the two supervisors and by the University for Foreigners in Siena, pursuant to art. 10 of the Regulations governing doctoral research programmes issued through Rectoral Decree n. 281.14 of 10/06/2014.

The thesis will be drafted and discussed in Italian and will be accompanied by a summary written in _____ (*indicate the foreign language*).

The Teaching Board may authorize drafting of the thesis in another EU language, subject to the approval of both supervisors.

Art. 8. The Board of Examiners is nominated by the Rectors of the two Universities, in accordance with their respective regulations, and counts _____ members, of which _____ are designated by mutual agreement between the two Universities.

The two thesis supervisors must be members of the Board of Examiners.

Any travel expenses incurred by the members of the Board of Examiners for attending the final exam will be covered by _____.

Art. 9. The contracting institutions undertake to confer, once the thesis has been defended and approved by the Board of Examiners, the title of:

The University for Foreigners in Siena: *dottore di ricerca in*

The University of _____ : _____

Each University will issue a single diploma which will make mention of the “joint supervision thesis” with the University of _____.

The doctoral student will have the right to use the title of Doctor using both the Italian term and the _____ term.

PART THREE - CONCLUSION

Art. 10. In the absence of a prior agreement, the procedure for filing, describing and reproducing the student's doctoral thesis will be in respect of the rules in force in each country.

Protection of the object of the thesis, and of the publication, use and protection of results obtained in the contracting Institutions will be subject to the rules in force and will be guaranteed in accordance with procedures in the Countries involved in the joint supervision.

Art. 11. Doctoral students must respect the regulations and customs of the host University.

Art.12. The contracting Universities, through the mediation of their respective thesis supervisors, agree to exchange all information and documents required for the organization of the agreed joint supervision.

Art. 13. The present agreement, drawn up in no. _____ original copies, of which:

no. 2 for the University for Foreigners in Siena

no. ____ for the partner University

no. 1 for the doctoral student

having legal value, enters into force at the date of signature of the legal representative of each contracting Institution and shall remain in force up until the degree is awarded.

Art. 12. The present agreement is void if the doctoral student withdraws or is excluded from one of the two doctoral programmes or if the conditions set out in the agreement are not respected.

Siena _____

For the University for Foreigners in Siena

The Rector

The Supervisor

For the University of _____

The Rector/President/Director

The Supervisor

The doctoral programme coordinator

The doctoral programme coordinator

The doctoral student
