



**Cooperative Programme
of the Agreement on Scientific Cooperation
between
the National Research Council of Italy (CNR)
and
the Higher Council for Science and Technology (HCST)/National Centre
for Research and Development (NCRD)**

In accordance with the provision of Article I and II of the Memorandum of Understanding between the National Research Council of Italy and the Higher Council for Science and Technology (HCST)/National Centre for Research and Development (NCRD) of Jordan (hereinafter referred to as CNR and HCST/NCRD respectively), both Parties have agreed on the following cooperative programme.

Article 1. Forms of Cooperation

The Parties will promote the cooperation between Italian and Jordanian researchers and research centres through the following forms of cooperation:

- Joint research projects (Food security, Energy, Water, Health and Environment)

Article 2. Joint Projects

This mode of cooperation will be conducted as follows:

- 2.1 Both parties will support up to 3 joint research projects every year implemented on specific subjects with the participation of scientists from each country and will be mutually agreed in advance by both sides. The duration of a joint research project will normally be two years.
- 2.2 The call for proposals of joint research projects will be announced by each party in April 2020, with a deadline fixed ad June 2020.
- 2.3 The joint research projects will be expected to start on January 2021.



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- 2.4 Both parties, CNR and HCST/NCRD, will a) gather all the applications from their respective sides, b) review them separately, and c) exchange prioritized lists in mid-December.
- 2.5 The list of joint research projects mutually approved (those best evaluated by each party) shall be annexed to this Cooperation Programme.

3. Article 3. Financial Support

The financial conditions for the approved joint research projects shall be as follows:

- 3.1 The Parties agree to contribute on an equal basis to the financing of the program, subject to the availability of the Parties' funds and up to 30.000,00 € per year (for three projects).
- 3.2 For each project, CNR will provide annually up to 10.000,00 € to the Italian team, and HCST/NCRD will provide up to 10.000,00 € to the Jordanian team.
- 3.3 Travel (international and domestic) and accommodation expenses for participants shall be borne by the sending party.
- 3.4 The support given by the Parties to the research teams shall complement the proper resources of each team, and is intended to subsidize the general costs linked to the international nature of the projects, the costs of international travel (mainly transportation and per-diem expenses). Each research team may apply for complementary support from other institutions.
- 3.5 Both Parties shall re-evaluate the amount of the allowances in relation to inflation and in accordance with the provisions existing in each country.

Article 4. Medical insurance

The visitor should have insurance entitling the holder to free emergency medical treatment in the host country. The responsibility for the provision of



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adequate insurance against accidents that may occur during the stay in the host country will rest with the sending party.

The receiving Party will provide the visitor with all indispensable organisational assistance in situations requiring such steps.

Article 5. Duration and Termination

Amendments to this CNR-HCST/NCRD Cooperation Programme may be proposed by either CNR or HCST/NCRD. Such amendments will become effective when CNR and HCST/NCRD have mutually agreed upon them.

Signed on March 12, 2020 in two copies in English.

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