

**Cooperative Programme
of the Agreement on Scientific Cooperation
between
the National Research Council of Italy (CNR)
and
the Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences (ANAS)**

In accordance with the provision of Article III and VI of the Agreement between the National Research Council of Italy and the Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences (hereinafter referred to as CNR and ANAS respectively), both Parties have agreed on the following Cooperative Programme.

Article 1. Forms of Cooperation

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

- Joint research projects
- Other cooperative activities shall be mutually approved along the way

Article 2. Joint Projects

This mode of cooperation will be conducted as follows:

- 2.1 Both parties will support up to 4 joint research projects 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 be two years.
- 2.2 The call for proposals of joint research projects will be announced by each party in May/June every two years. The first call for proposals will be announced in May/June 2017 with a deadline of September 30th, 2017.
- 2.3 The joint research projects will be expected to start on January 1st, 2018.
- 2.4 Both parties, CNR and ANAS, will a) gather all the applications from their respective sides, b) review them separately, and c) exchange prioritized lists by the beginning of December every two years.
- 2.5 The list of joint research projects mutually approved (those best evaluated by each Party) shall be annexed to this Cooperation Programme.

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 Programme, subject to the availability of the Parties' funds.
- 3.2 For each project, ANAS will provide annually up to 6.000,00 € to the Azerbaijan team, and CNR will provide up to 6.000,00 € to the Italian team.

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- 3.3 Travel (international and domestic) and accommodation expenses for the 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.

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 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 - ANAS Cooperation Programme may be proposed by either CNR or ANAS. Such amendments will become effective when CNR and ANAS have mutually agreed upon them.

The present CNR - ANAS Cooperation Programme remains valid during the effective duration of the Agreement on Scientific Cooperation signed by and between CNR and ANAS.

Signed in two originals in English language.

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