Annex to the Memorandum of Understanding between the National Research Council of Italy (CNR) and the Royal Society of Edinburgh

In accordance with Section 1 and 2 of the MoU between the National Research Council of Italy and the Royal Society of Edinburgh (hereinafter referred to as CNR and RSE respectively), both Parties have agreed on the following Cooperative Programme.

Article 1. Forms of Cooperation

The Parties will promote the cooperation between Scottish and Italian researchers and research centres through the form of - Joint research projects

Article 2. Joint Projects

The cooperation will be implemented as follows:

- 2.1 Both parties will support 3 joint research projects on the following specific subjects for the 2018 call
 - 1) Quantum Technologies
 - 2) Cultural Heritage
 - 3) Water

The scientific fields will be mutually agreed upon in advance of the Joint Project call by a Joint RSE/CNR Committee called to select the scientific areas. 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 February/March 2018 and the deadline for submission of proposals will be in late June 2018
- 2.3 The joint research projects will be expected to start on January 1st, 2019.
- 2.4 Both parties, CNR and RSE, will a) gather all the applications from their respective sides, b) review them separately, and c) exchange priority lists by the beginning of December every two years.
- 2.5 The list of mutually approved joint research projects (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, RSE will provide annually £ 3,000 to the Scottish team, and CNR will provide £ 3,000 to the Italian team, a total of £6000 per project per year. Each project will receive a total sum of £ 12,000 for the two years duration
- 3.3 Travel (international and domestic) and accommodation expenses for the participants shall be supported 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 applicant and their employer.

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

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

Signed in two originals, in Italian and English languages, both being equally valid. In case of any divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail

For

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