



AGREEMENT ON SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION BETWEEN THE NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL OF ITALY AND RUSSIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

The National Research Council of Italy (CNR) and the Russian Academy of Sciences (RAS) (hereinafter referred to as the Parties), have agreed upon the following provisions:

Article I. Purpose

The purpose of this Agreement is to further strengthen cooperation in scientific research between the Italian Republic and the Russian Federation. The Parties will, on a basis of equality and mutual benefit, promote and support cooperation between qualified scientists of both institutions in those research areas of most interest to both Parties.

Article II. Forms of Cooperation and Implementation

Within this Agreement cooperation may include the following activities:

- a) Joint research projects,
- b) Joint workshops,
- c) Other cooperative activities as may be mutually agreed upon.

The details for each form of cooperation shall be stipulated by the Parties in the Cooperative Programme. The Parties shall revise this Cooperative Programme at least every two years. It shall contain, among other provisions, the following information:

• The title, description, duration and the financial arrangements of the joint research projects, workshops or any other initiatives that have been selected by the Parties, as well as the names of the scientists and scholars participating.

Article III. Practice

Each Party will cover the costs of the participants from its own country. The number of projects, workshops and any other cooperative activity to be supported each year will be contingent upon funding availability in each Party's budget.

Article IV. Observance of Regulations

Participating scientists abide by the laws of the receiving country and regulations of the host institutions.

Article V. Intellectual Properties

Intellectual property rights shall belong to the researcher(s) and/or the researcher's employing institution. Due acknowledgement of support received from the Parties should be made in any publication resulting from the research.

Article VI. Other Matters

Administrative procedures and implementation details not stipulated in this Agreement will be provided separately in the Cooperative Programme or agreed upon via correspondence between the Parties.

Article VII. Validity, Amendment, Termination

This Agreement will come into force on the date of its signing and continue thereafter for four years. Either Party may notify the other of its intention to terminate it, in which case any existing program will be brought to conclusion. Notification shall be made six months in advance of the termination of the Agreement. The Agreement may be extended for the same period of validity, four years in the absence of a termination notice by either Party.

This Agreement was done in two originals, in Italian, Russian and English languages, all texts being equally authoritative. In case of controversy on the interpretation of the texts, the English text will prevail.

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For The National Research Council of	Italy	For The Russian Academy of Sciences
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