Agreement on Scientific Cooperation Between The National Research Council of Italy And

The Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences

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

Article 1. Purpose

The purpose of this Agreement is to further strengthen cooperation in research and development between Republic of Italy and the People's Republic of China. The Parties will, on a basis of equality and mutual benefit, promote and support cooperation between its researchers in research areas of most interest to both Parties.

Article 2. Forms of Cooperation and Implementation

- Within this Agreement on cooperation will be announced the calls of Joint Research Projects which may include also other cooperative activities as may be mutually agreed upon.
- 2. The details and the Cooperative Programme for each form of cooperation shall be decided by the Parties. The Parties shall revise this Cooperative Programme at least every three years. It shall contain, among other provisions: the title, description, duration and the financial arrangements of the joint research projects or any other initiatives that have been selected by the Parties, as well as the names of the scientists and scholars participating.



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Article 3. Practice

Each Party will cover the costs of the participant researchers from its own country. The number of projects and any other cooperative activity to be supported each year will be contingent upon funding availability in each Party's budget, which will be established every three years on the renewed Cooperative Programme.

Article 4. Observance of Regulations

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

Article 5. Intellectual Properties

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

Article 6. 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.

Article 7. Validity, Amendment, Termination

This Agreement will come into force on the date of its signing and continue thereafter for six years. Either Party may notify the other of its intention to terminate it, in which case any existing program will be brought to an orderly conclusion. Notification shall

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be made six months in advance of the termination of the Agreement. The Agreement may be extended for the same period of validity, six years in the absence of a termination notice by either Party.

This agreement is done in duplicate in both English and Chinese languages; both texts being equally authentic. Both parties will keep one copy of each text.

Signed in Rome on 1 December 2015.

The National Research Council of Italy

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