

**AGREEMENT ON SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION  
BETWEEN  
THE NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL OF ITALY (CNR)  
AND  
THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF  
THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (MOST)**

The National Research Council of Italy (CNR) and Ministry of Science and Technology of the People's Republic of China (MOST) and 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 Italy and China. 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**

This Agreement on scientific cooperation may include the following activities:

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

**Article III - Practice**

The details and the Cooperative Programme for each form of cooperation shall be decided by the Parties. 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 will be contingent upon funding availability in each Party's budget, which will be established on the renewed Cooperative Programme.

**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.

## Article VII - Validity, Amendment, Termination

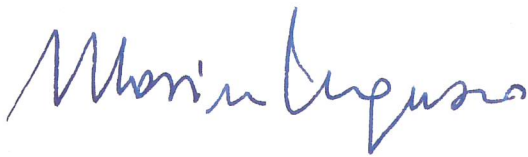
This Agreement will come into force on the date of its signing.

This Agreement may be suspended by the Parties with notification in advance of the launch of call for proposals.

This Agreement is made and signed in two originals in English language.

FOR THE NATIONAL RESEARCH  
COUNCIL OF ITALY

FOR THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE  
AND TECHNOLOGY, PEOPLE'S  
REPUBLIC OF CHINA



Mr. Massimo Inguscio  
President

Date: November 13, 2017



Mr. Huang Wei  
Vice Minister

Date: November 13, 2017