LETTER OF INTENT
FOR SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION

between

THE ITALIAN NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL

and

THE CENTRE FOR CLIMATE & AIR POLLUTION STUDIES, NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND, GALWAY

The Italian National Research Council (hereafter called “CNR”) and the Centre for Climate & Air Pollution Studies, National University of Ireland, Galway University of Galway (hereafter called “C-CAPS”), both hereafter referred to as “party” or “the parties”,

desiring to further strengthen the scientific and technological cooperation between CNR and C-CAPS, have agreed to cooperate and to promote a programme of scholarly, scientific and technological cooperation (hereafter called “Programme”) as outlined in the field of Atmospheric composition changes; air pollution and climate in coastal environment; aerosol-cloud interaction and air pollution dynamics in MCBL.

Through this cooperation, CNR and C-CAPS aim at fostering mutual understanding and promoting cooperation between scholars of both parties; they will maintain and develop co-operative research activities in those research areas of most interest for both parties. As a general principle, co-operative activities will be carried out through

a) Joint laboratories,
b) Joint research projects
c) Joint workshops
d) Other cooperative activities

Other specific areas may be agreed by mutual agreement between the parties.

The two parties maintain close mutual exchange of information and ensure that the cooperation will bring real benefits to the development of scientific research in both countries.

The co-operative activity will be undertaken within the scientific remits and budgetary appropriations of both parties.

This cooperation should not prevent nor limit cooperative activities under individual or institutional agreements, irrespective whether these activities are supported financially by either party or not. Duplication of funding should anyway be avoided.

Given the opportunities afforded through the European Union and through other national and international programs, information will be shared between the parties on planned participation in multinational coordination activities and consideration will be given to using these opportunities for future activities.

This letter of intent is valid from the day it is signed and will remain in force for a period of five years. This Agreement will be automatically extended thereafter for successive periods of five years each,
unless revoked in writing by either Party in reasonable advanced time prior to the expiration of the respective period.

This letter of intent shall not create binding obligations under either domestic or international law and collaborative activity contemplated by this Letter is subject to the availability of respective funding programs.

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Agreed and signed on _________________ in two originals in English.

For the Italian National Research Council

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