



Cooperation Agreement

between

Khon Kaen University (KKU), Faculty of Management Science 123 Mittraphap Road, Khon Kaen, 40002, Thailand

and

University of Udine (UNIUD),

Department of Food Science (DIAL), via Sondrio 2/A and Department of Agriculture and Environmental Science (DISA), via delle Scienze 206,Udine, Italy

In furtherance of mutual goals to foster internationalization of education and to collaborate with appropriate higher education institutions, officials from the Khon Kaen University (hereinafter referred to as "KKU") in Thailand, represented by DEAN Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ms Kullapruk Piewthongngam with legal domicile at University of Khon Kaen, 123 Mittraphap Road, Khon Kaen, 40002, Thailand, and officials from the University of Udine, represented by its two heads of Departments: Prof. Lanfranco Conte born in Foggia on 22/5/1953 and Prof. Pierluigi Bonfanti born in Milano on 26/08/1946, with legal domicile at University of Udine, Via Palladio, nr. 8 – 33100 Udine, C.F. 80014550307, on behalf of the Department of Food Science and the Department of Agriculture and Environmental Science (hereinafter referred to as "UNIUD"), have been discussing the feasibility of international cooperation. Both KKU and UNIUD may be referred to individually as the "party" or collectively as the "parties".

The parties have identified areas of international collaboration and agree upon collaboration for the concept of the Summer School "Geography of Food – Sustainability management in agriculture, food industry, tourism and hospitality". This agreement encompasses the following terms:

- Both parties correspond to the commitment for the Summer School concept, with regards to content and structure: the Summer School will be conducted in three consecutive years 2013-2015, taking place once at Zürich University of Applied Sciences in the Institute of Natural Resource Sciences (hereinafter referred to as "IUNR/ZHAW") in Switzerland, once at Khon Kaen University (Thailand) and once at UNIUD (Italy).
- The IUNR/ZHAW commits itself to pay travel and accommodation costs for 5-10 selected students from the UNIUD/KKU in the two years that the Summer School takes place outside of Italy. Likewise, travel and accommodation costs for 10-20 students from Italy and Thailand will be covered in the hosting year at UNIUD

- and KKU. This financial support will be provided by the Foundation MercatorSchweiz.
- 3. The UNIUD and KKU commit itself to be active partners throughout the period of organization, conduction and evaluation in the years 2012-2015. Thereto, the UNIUD and KKU agree to organize the Summer School in one year, 2014 and 2015. The organization encompasses logistics, setup of the Summer School educational program and hosting of 10-20 students from Switzerland and Thailand. UNIUD and KKU will select students that will participate in the Summer Schools in the years 2013-2015 (5-10 for Switzerland, 5-10 for Thailand, 10-15 for 2015 in Italy). Principal criteria for student participation are the interest in Geography of Food, the willingness for active intercultural interaction and advanced English skills. The application and selection process for the Summer School in 2013 will take place by the end of 2012. Detailed selection criteria will be determined by both parties.
- 4. Both parties commit themselves to actively communicate the Summer School event and thereby mentioning the Foundation Mercator Schweiz, which supports the concept and student participation of the collaborative Summer School Geography of Food. Further sponsors with commitment to sustainability in the food sector can be acquired for supporting costs associated with the Summer School event in each participating country. The additional sponsor may be communicated in Summer School documents (Website, Flyer, etc.).
- For the realization of the Summer School, a website will be created by the IUNR
 for general information, student registration, dates and deadline communication,
 and upload for presentations. The UNIUD and KKU agree to communicate the
 link to this website among UNIUD/KKU channels and students, as well as
 providing contents.
- The successful participation in the Summer School will be acknowledged with an
 official certificate for the students, indicating the Summer School, the
 participating universities, the dates and the time spent (14 days including
 preparation, equivalent to 4 ECTS).
- 7. All universities participating in the Summer School program resolve on their own insurance policy regarding the stay of students and accompanying teachers in foreign countries. Everyone participating in the Summer School is in need of accident and medical insurance for the whole period of the event It is each university's decision if their students and teachers will be covered by the university insurance or by private insurance. The insurance policies must be written in English or accompanied by an official English translation.
- 8. All students and teachers participating in the Summer School program are responsible for acquiring all necessary travel documents (including travel insurance and passports) and to bear eventual visa costs.

This Cooperation Agreement takes effect from the date of the last signature and continues for four (2012-2016) years or until the duly constituted authority of either party provides six months' notice of termination to the other, while taking due account of all existing projects and programs.

In witness thereof, the parties have offered their signatures hereto:

Khon Kaen,	DEAN Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ms Kullapruk Piewthongngam Pongphan Sathatip Associate Dean for International & Special Affairs
Udine, <u>6 AGO, 2013</u>	University of Udine, Italy Department of Food Science (DIAL) Prof. Lanfranco Conte Head of Department Department of Agriculture and Environmental Science (DISA) Prof. Pierluigi Bonfanti Head of Department