





COLLABORATIVE AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

AGENCIA NACIONAL DE INVESTIGACIÓN E INNOVACIÓN (ANII),

UPM,

AND

STICHTING IHE DELFT

The Agencia Nacional de Investigación e Innovación (called further ANII in this agreement), UPM Sociedad Anónima (called further UPM in this agreement) and Stichting IHE Delft (called further IHE in this agreement) share an interest in strengthening cooperation in the field of research and education. The objective of this cooperation is to provide financial support on post-graduate education to Uruguayan students (at the PhD level) in sandwich modality between Uruguay and the Netherlands.

The cooperation is envisaged to operate as follows:

- 1. ANII, UPM, and IHE will establish a research collaboration aiming at co-financing the PhD studies of one Uruguayan candidate as described below in this agreement.
- 2. The PhD student will be registered as a PhD participant at UNESCO-IHE. The PhD research will be conducted in a "sandwich" modality; that is, part of the research will be conducted in the Netherlands, and part will be conducted in Uruguay to make sure that the PhD research addresses a topic relevant to enhance the environmental conditions in Uruguay. The PhD degree is jointly awarded by UNESCO-IHE and the Delft University of Technology (TU Delft).
- 3. UPM will contribute with the research costs¹ required to accomplish each stage of the project. The UPM financial support will last for a period no longer than 4 years beginning at the registration day at IHE of the PhD participant, and for a maximum amount of USD 25,000.00 per year. After the first year, prior to each annual disbursement, the PhD student performance shall be evaluated by UPM in follow up meetings, being a faculty of UPM not to renew the financial support to the PhD Student if his/her performance is not according to a performance level determined during the previous year.
- 4. IHE will not charge any additional research costs since most of the research activities will be conducted in Uruguay and these activities will be entirely funded by UPM. In addition, the following costs will not be charged by IHE: a) Study material allowance; b) Book allowance; and c) Conference/Miscellaneous. These services will not be provided by IHE, since the PhD participant under this agreement will be considered an own account participant. Moreover, IHE will grant a 10% discount on the Tuition Fee.
- 5. ANII will contribute with Euros 56,970.00 to cover the following costs: a) remaining fraction of the tuition fees (after the 10% discount provided by IHE); b) remaining fraction of the direct study related cost; c) residence permit in the Netherlands; and d) handling fee.

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¹ Research cost includes at least the followings: i) analytical determinations; ii) laboratory and pilot scale set ups; iii) laboratory consumables; and iv) laboratory equipment/accessories. UPM will fully determine this allocation based on UPM's yearly/programmatic budget allocation.

- 6. The PhD participant shall be affiliated with a university in Uruguay. Either the university or the participant him/herself (as an own accounter participant) shall cover the following PhD participant costs: a) PhD monthly net allowance of at least Euros 1,300.00 per month for a total period of at least 4 years; b) health insurance for the entire duration of the PhD studies (both in Uruguay and in the Netherlands); and c) travel expenses to the Netherlands².
- Governing Law and Dispute Resolution. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of Uruguay and the dispute shall be submitted for resolution at the Courts of Montevideo, Uruguay.
- 8. In case the PhD participant abort his/her studies for any reason, or he/she is rejected to continue performing his/her PhD studies for any genuine reason (e.g. not passing the PhD proposal stage, not performing well, or not satisfying the minimum requirement for IHE/TU Delft PhD thesis defence or failing the PhD defence), IHE will not be held financially responsible. Therefore, the cost incurred until the moment of interrupting the participant PhD studies and the tuition cost until the end of the PhD studies will not be refundable by IHE. This assumes that IHE provided standard level of services, support, and academic guidance to the PhD participant.
- 9. The designated coordinators for this joint activity are:

ANII:

Maria Laura Fernández

IHE:

Hector A Garcia

UPM:

Lorena Echevarría

10. Waiver.

The project shall be performed by UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education, whose resources, including personnel, facilities and equipment, are provided by the IHE Delft Foundation (Stichting IHE Delft). The Parties expressly agree that the IHE Delft Foundation bears exclusive financial and technical liability for the implementation of the project and that UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education shall not be liable for any judgments or claims arising out or relating to this Agreement and/or the implementation of the project.

This agreement shall remain in force from the date of the last signature by the designated representatives of each party until the end of the PhD studies (period of 4 years). It may be reviewed or renegotiated at the request of either party and terminated by mutual agreement.

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Date: 12/11/2015

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Name of Signatory:

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Name of Signatory: PIRK JAN VAN DEN BERG

Position: CHAIR PERSON THE DELFT

Date: 12/11/2015

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² Up to one stay per year during the 4 years contract for the PhD participant to discuss his/her PhD proposal, conduct progress meetings, and participate at the final dissertation defence.