



Master Course

Sustainable Constructions under Natural Hazards and Catastrophic Events

Agreement on Multiple Degree within SUSCOS_M ERASMUS MUNDUS MASTERS COURSE in Sustainable constructions under natural hazards and catastrophic events

CTU – Czech Technical University in Prague, established in Zikova 1905/4, 166 36 Praha 6, Czech Republic, represented by Prof. Václav HAVLÍČEK, the rector, Coordinating Institution of the Consortium, of the one part,

and the University of UC – University of Coimbra, established in Paço das Escolas, 3004-531 Coimbra, Portugal, represented by Prof. João Gabriel SILVA, the rector,

and the University of LTU – Luleå University of Technology, established in SE-97187 Luleå, Sweden, represented by Prof. Johan STERTE, the rector,

and the University of ULg – University of Liège, established in Place du 20-août, n°7, 4000 Liège, Belgium, represented by Bernard RENTIER, the rector,

and the University of PUT – "Politehnica" University of Timisoara, established in P-ta Victoriei no. 2, 300006 Timisoara, Romania, represented by Prof. Nicolae ROBU, the rector,

and the University of UNINA – University of Naples "Federico II", established in Corso Umberto I, 80138 Napoli, Italy, represented by Prof. Massimo Marrelli, the rector,

recognized partner institutions of the consortium (the "Partners") of the other part HAVE AGREED to the following terms and conditions as a Annex to the Consortium Agreement.

Article 1 - Aim of the agreement

The aim of this agreement is to specify the terms under which students in SUSCOS_M ERASMUS MUNDUS MASTERS COURSE in Sustainable constructions under natural hazards and catastrophic events (hereafter SUSCOS_M) may be granted, upon successful fulfilment of all requirements for graduation at each party university, the academic degrees of comparable academic levels from all universities involved.

Article 2 - Scope of the agreement

The present Agreement concerns the graduation degrees of students in the programme SUSCOS M.

Article 3 - Selection and admission of students

Students are selected and admitted to the programme based on their academic results, motivation and language skills. The selection is carried out in collaboration of all party universities mentioned above and in agreement with the SUSCOS_M approved rules.

Article 4 - Study plan and dissertation work

The study plan for the **SUSCOS_M**, including the final dissertation work (diploma project or research MSc thesis), must be established and approved by all institutions before admission of the student. The individual study plan may be revised at any time based on agreement of the involved universities. The research work may also take place as an industrial placement at the research centres of ArcelorMittal or one of the member companies of ECCS.

The final dissertation work is written in English. The work should always include a brief summary of at least 2 pages in the university's (or institute's) language were the dissertation work was supervised. The final dissertation work evaluation is performed as public defence before a jury agreed or composed of the Admissions and Quality Committee in accordance with SUSCOS_M approved project.

Article 5 - Control of quality and results

The use of ECTS grading scale will be adopted, as well as ECTS tools. The credits gained in a partner university will fully be recognized as well. The parties agree that exams/courses will be graded and awarded credits according to the rules of the institution where the exam/course is carried out. A course is considered "passed", i.e. the ECTS credits are acquired, when all translated grades needed for this examination are "E" or higher. The final degree(s) will be awarded if the total amount of ECTS credits is validated (90 ECTS). The Admissions and Quality Committee will secure and supervise:

- (i) the selection of candidates for SUSCOS_M,
- (ii) detailed planning of the courses,
- (iii) follow-up of the on-going courses,
- (iv) examinations,
- (v) the evaluation of the teachers, courses, infra-structures and organizational aspects by the students.

The Committee will have a mandate to implement the changes proposed by the External Advisory Board and approved by the Board of Directors.

Article 6 - Delivery of the academic degrees

Each University decides, according to its own criteria, if the student is entitled to receive a degree. Each party university grants the student credit transfer from the other party universities according to the applicable rules, laws and regulations of that university or institute.

The student will then be awarded the relevant degrees and titles from all universities involved in SUSCOS_M study progress, i.e. where he/she completed successfully one of the 3 semesters (i.e. was awarded 30 ECTS of the first or second semester courses or third semester Dissertation work) and the other partner universities where the award is regulated by compliant national and/or university regulations.

Article 7 - Theses and Farewell congress

The final defence of the Theses and Farewell congress will be organised at the Coordinating University.

Article 8 - Terms of agreement

This Agreement shall come into effect on the day of signature by representatives of the above parties and is valid for SUSCOS_M duration. Each of the parties may terminate this Agreement provided that written notice of the intent is given at least six months prior to termination. Commitments already in progress shall be fulfilled.

This agreement will be terminated by reaching the scheduled and promised Agreement in Joint degree.

Article 9 - Amendments or changes

Amendments or changes to this Agreement shall be made in writing and signed by the duly authorized representatives of the institutions.

This Agreement has been signed in twelve originals in English language, of which each of the parties has taken two issues.

Signatures and Stamps

Done in 12 originals in English. This agreement can be translated into relevant languages for local purposes.

For the Czech Technical University in Prague

Date, Stamp and Signature of legal representative:



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For the University of Coimbra

Date, Stamp and Signature of legal representative:

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For the Luleå University of Technology

Date, Stamp and Signature of legal representative:

2011-12-12

For the University of Liège

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Date, Stamp and Signature of legal representative:

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For the "Politehnica" University of Timisoara

Date, Stamp and Signature of legal representative:

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For the University of Naples "Federico II"

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