

AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

**THE UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND
CULTURAL ORGANIZATION**

FUNDACIÓN TRIPTOLEMOS

AND

THE UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL DE EDUCACIÓN A DISTANCIA

CONCERNING

**THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A UNESCO CHAIR ON
SCIENCE AND INNOVATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT:
GLOBAL FOOD PRODUCTION AND SAFETY**

AT

**THE UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL DE EDUCACIÓN A DISTANCIA
(MADRID, KINGDOM OF SPAIN)**

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concerning the establishment of a UNESCO Chair on Science and Innovation for Sustainable Development: Global Food Production and Safety at *Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia*, Madrid, Kingdom of Spain

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (hereinafter referred to as "UNESCO"), 7 Place de Fontenoy, 75352 Paris 07 SP, France, represented by its Director-General, Ms Irina Bokova,

Fundación TRIPTOLEMOS (hereinafter referred to as "the Foundation"), c/. Roma 6-10, 2^a, 08023 Barcelona, Spain, represented by its President, D. Federico Mayor Zaragoza,

and

The *Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia* (hereinafter referred to as "the University"), Bravo Murillo 38, 28015 Madrid, Spain, represented by its Rector, Professor Alejandro Tiana Ferrer,

Considering that one of the essential factors favouring development in UNESCO's fields of competence is the exchange of experience and knowledge between universities and other higher education institutions;

Convinced that joint work by university teachers, researchers and administrators from regions all over the world will provide important benefits for the entire academic community;

Bearing in mind UNESCO's mission and objectives as set forth in its Constitution, and its role in promoting international inter-university cooperation;

Taking into account the experience of the UNESCO/UNITWIN Chairs Programme as a stimulus for academic mobility and the rapid transfer of knowledge through twinning, networking and other linking arrangements;

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1 The Foundation and the University shall, in cooperation with UNESCO, establish a UNESCO Chair on Science and Innovation for Sustainable Development: Global Food Production and Safety (hereinafter referred to as "the Chair") at the *Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia*.

Article 2 The purpose of the Chair shall be to promote an integrated system of research, training, information and documentation on global food production and safety. It will facilitate collaboration between high-level, internationally-recognized researchers and teaching staff of the University and other institutions in Spain, as well as elsewhere in Europe, in Latin America and the Caribbean, and in other regions of the world.

The specific objectives of this Chair are to:

- create a regional network of higher education and research institutions and experts on global food production and safety. Moreover, explore the interest of relevant institutions from other regions, such as Latin America, to join the network;
- design and implement, jointly with partners, activities (including research) focusing on the following four major areas of the food system: availability (raw materials, processing and nutrition); economics; public policies; and, knowledge, behaviour and culture, and disseminate results widely;
- develop programmes and train postgraduate students, faculty, professionals, civil society organizations and interested individuals. Moreover, foster the exchange of faculty and students, as well as facilitate initiatives aiming to contribute to institutional development;
- research the contribution of universities in southern Europe to agricultural development in Africa, notably in the Mediterranean area;
- serve as a platform for the sharing of knowledge and good practices in the field; and,
- cooperate closely with UNESCO on relevant programmes and activities.

Article 3 The University and the Foundation, in consultation with UNESCO, shall appoint the Chairholder, who will be selected in accordance with the procedures described in the UNESCO's "Guidelines and Procedures for the UNITWIN/UNESCO Chairs Programme".

Article 4 The Chair shall consist of the Chairholder and the necessary teaching personnel, researchers and students required to carry out the specific training, research and outreach activities of the Chair.

Article 5 The University and the Foundation shall sign a contract with the Chairholder for a fixed period to be determined by the University, giving the Chairholder the same rights and obligations as those of other scholars of the same category at the University. The contract also shall define the Chairholder's salary and benefits, travel expenses, installation grant, housing and medical insurance.

Article 6 The University and the Foundation shall grant the Chair the facilities necessary to conduct academic research and training activities in its fields and to make their results accessible online.

Article 7 The University and the Foundation shall submit to UNESCO a mid-term progress report and a final report on the activities carried out by the Chair and on the financial resources of the Chair. The reports should comply with the UNESCO template. They will be reviewed by UNESCO and will be published on the UNITWIN portal.

Article 8 The University and the Foundation shall arrange for the Chair to participate in UNESCO programmes and activities with a view to strengthening international academic cooperation. Wherever possible, the University and the Foundation shall arrange for the Chair to engage in the exchange of professors, researchers and students with other universities within the framework of the UNITWIN Programme.

Article 9 Within that framework, the University and the Foundation shall endeavour to associate the Chair with the activities of other Chairs and inter-university networks in the different regions of the world.

Article 10 Subject to the terms of this Agreement, the University and the Foundation shall assume all expenses linked to the implementation of activities undertaken by the Chair.

Article 11 In order to demonstrate its link with UNESCO, the UNESCO Chair is invited to use the composed UNITWIN/UNESCO logo that includes the UNESCO official logo and the UNITWIN logo to the right of the former, under the following conditions:

- The conditions for the use of the logo will be determined by UNESCO and cannot be modified without the prior agreement of the latter; UNESCO shall provide the Chair with a high definition electronic format of the composed logo in compliance with the agreed specifications;
- The logo must be cautiously used with a view to avoiding misinterpretation by the general public, notably concerning the respective status of the Chair, the University, the Foundation and UNESCO, as specified under the provisions of Article 12 of the Agreement; the composed UNITWIN/UNESCO logo shall not, under any circumstances, be used for any commercial purposes, either by the Chair, by the University or by the Foundation;
- All promotional and information materials published by the Chair, the University or the Foundation, bearing the composed UNITWIN/UNESCO logo (example: pamphlets and other electronic documents) should bear the disclaimer: *The authors are responsible for the choice and presentation of views contained in this ...and for opinions expressed therein, which are not necessarily those of UNESCO and do not commit the Organization;* and,
- The University and the Foundation will assume full responsibility for any legal consequences stemming from this use.

Article 12 Neither the University, the Foundation nor any member of their staff employed for the implementation of the activities linked to the Chair shall be considered an agent, representative or member of UNESCO's staff, nor shall they enjoy any benefit, immunity, remuneration or reimbursement if not clearly foreseen in this Agreement; moreover, they shall not be authorized to present themselves as being part of UNESCO, or make statements on UNESCO's behalf, or commit UNESCO to any expense of any nature or to any other obligation.

Article 13 The University and the Foundation shall be entirely responsible for taking any measures they deem necessary to insure themselves against loss, injury or damage incurred during the implementation of these activities.

Article 14 The present Agreement shall enter into force for a period of 4 (four) years on the date of both signatures having been appended. It may be cancelled by either Party subject to 60 (sixty) days' written notice to the other Party.

Article 15 The University and the Foundation shall request the renewal of the present Agreement before its expiry date. Any renewal of the present Agreement shall be effected by an exchange of letters between the Parties, on condition that the Chair meets its specific objectives as laid out in Article 2, and provides detailed information on activities and budget secured for the period of renewal.

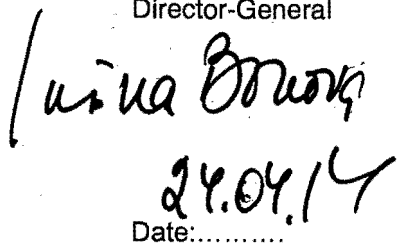
Article 16 UNESCO may decide to not renew the present Agreement, or to close the Chair if the latter fails to submit timely progress reports on its activities; the reports are negatively evaluated; or the Chair's activities do not correspond to UNESCO's strategic priorities.

Article 17 In the event of a dispute, the Parties shall make a good faith effort to settle it amicably. If an amicable settlement cannot be reached, any dispute arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be settled by a sole arbitrator appointed by mutual agreement or, failing this, by the President of the International Court of Justice at the request of either Party.

In witness whereof, the undersigned, duly authorized to that effect, have signed three copies of the present Agreement in the English language, the three copies being equally authoritative.

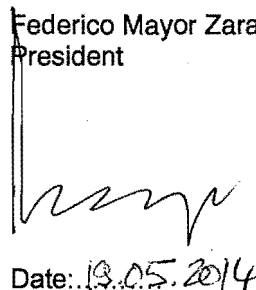
For the United Nations
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Irina Bokova
Director-General


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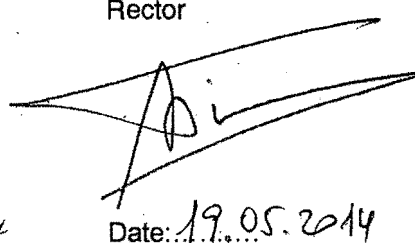
For the Fundación
TRIPTOLEMOS

Federico Mayor Zaragoza
President


Date: 13.05.2014

For the Universidad
Nacional de Educación a
Distancia

Alejandro Tiana Ferrer
Rector


Date: 19.05.2014