



Memorandum of Understanding

BETWEEN

**THE DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS, UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI
DI NAPOLI FEDERICO II, NAPLES, ITALY**

AND

**THE INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF EARTHQUAKE
ENGINEERING AND SEISMOLOGY (IIEES), TEHRAN, ISLAMIC
REPUBLIC OF IRAN**

Considering the high earthquake hazard in Iran and Italy and the need for cooperation and expanding the related education and research, the Department of Physics Ettore Pancini of Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II (DF), and the International Institute of Earthquake Engineering and Seismology (IIEES), of the Islamic Republic of Iran, recognizing the benefits to be derived from increased collaboration, cooperation and interaction in educational and scientific projects in the fields of seismology, earthquake engineering and specially the development of earthquake early warning systems, have agreed to collaborate on the following points on the basis of equality, mutual benefit and reciprocity:

Article 1: Purpose

The purpose of this MOU is to define the means of cooperation between IIEES and DF, to facilitate the exchange of scientific and technological information, and to define and implement cooperation on priority subjects defined by the two Parties.

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Article 2: Possible areas of collaboration

1. Joint studies in the fields of earthquake early warning system and seismic hazard analysis.
2. Physics of Earthquakes and Volcanoes.
3. Organization of symposiums, workshops, conferences and academic meetings with the subjects mentioned in item 1 and 2.
4. Exchange of faculty and staff members for teaching and/or research assignments
5. Exchange of students for advanced studies and research

Article 3: Action for the Joint Scientific and Technological Cooperation

1. The Parties will have regular and/or occasional meetings to discuss possible subjects for future cooperation, to review the state of current cooperative projects, and to decide on the joint seminars and the implementation of joint cooperation on priority subjects.
2. When the activities under this MOU proceed to a specific research project (hereinafter referred to as "Joint Research"), the Parties shall agree in writing on any necessary matters in specific such as financial arrangement, work plan, staffing requirements, obligations and conditions which are not described in this MOU.

Article 4: Administration

Administration and management of this MOU will be coordinated for DF by the Administration Office and for IIEES by International Affairs Office.

Article 5: Publication

Relevant documents and papers proposed for publication in the scientific/technical literature, based on the results obtained under the terms of this MoU, shall be commonly worked out with the aim of an accepted co-authorship and shall be exchanged for mutual review duly before final submission for publication.

Article 6: Planning and Review of Activities

Each Institute shall designate a principal representative who, at times mutually agreed upon by the both institutions, shall meet to review the activities under this agreement and develop proposals for future activities, as appropriate.

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DF-Representative:

- Prof. Aldo Zollo; Head of Seismological Research Group

IIEES-Representative:

- Dr. Mohammad Tatar; IIEES Vice-President for Research and Postgraduate Education

Article 7: Duration

This MOU shall remain in effect for five years from November 1, 2017. It may be amended or extended by a prior written agreement between both Parties hereto.

Article 8: Liaison Offices

The Offices in charge of the execution and possible amendment or extension of this MoU are:

University of Naples Federico II

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