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**Grant agreement for Erasmus+ studies**

**MAYNOOTH UNIVERSITY, IRL MAYNOOT01**

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Called hereafter "the institution", represented for the purposes of signature of this agreement by **Ms. Wendy Cameron** (legal representative) of the one part, and

**STUDENT DETAILS**

Mr/Ms: [Full name]

Date of birth: [dd/mm/yyyy]

Nationality: [….]

Address: [home address in full]

Phone: [08x xxx xxxx]

E-mail: […..]

Gender: [M/F]

Academic year: 2017/2018

Study cycle: First cycle study programme

Subject area: [degree at home institution]

Number of completed higher education study years: [….]

**Student with:** [x]  **a financial support from Erasmus+ EU funds**

Called hereafter “the participant”, of the other part, have agreed to the Special Conditions and Annexes below which form an integral part of this agreement ("the agreement"):

Annex I Learning Agreement for Erasmus+ mobility for studies

Annex II General Conditions

Annex III Erasmus Student Charter

The terms set out in the Special Conditions shall take precedence over those set out in the annexes.

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

**ARTICLE 1 – SUBJECT MATTER OF THE AGREEMENT**

1.1 The institution shall provide support to the participant for undertaking a mobility activity for studies under the Erasmus+ Programme.

1.2 The participant accepts the support specified in article 3 and undertakes to carry out the mobility activity for studies as described in Annex I.

1.3. Amendments to the agreement, including to the start and end dates, shall be requested and agreed by both parties through a formal notification by letter or by electronic message.

**ARTICLE 2 – ENTRY INTO FORCE AND DURATION OF MOBILITY**

2.1 The agreement shall enter into force on the date when the last of the two parties signs.

2.2 The mobility period shall start on [date] and end on [date]. The start date of the mobility period shall be the first day that the participant needs to be present at the receiving organisation, including Orientation. The end date of the period abroad shall be the last day the participant needs to be present at the receiving organisation.

2.3 The participant shall receive a financial support from Erasmus+ EU funds for […] months and […] days

2.4 The total duration of the mobility period shall not exceed 12 months.

2.5 Demands to the institution to extend the period of stay should be introduced at least one month before the end of the originally planned mobility period.

2.6 The Transcript of Records or Traineeship Certificate (or statement attached to these documents) shall provide the confirmed start and end dates of duration of the mobility period.

**ARTICLE 3 – FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

3.1 The financial support for the mobility period for students will be as follows:
€220/month: Belgium, Czech Republic, Germany, Spain, Croatia, Netherlands, Slovenia, Slovakia, Lithuania, Romania, Poland.
€270/month: Denmark, France, Italy, Austria, Sweden, Norway, Finland, United Kingdom.

3.2 The amount for the mobility period shall be determined by multiplying the number of months of the mobility specified in article 2.3 with the rate applicable per month for the receiving country concerned. In the case of incomplete months, the financial support is calculated by multiplying the number of days in the incomplete month with 1/30 of the unit cost per month.

3.3 The reimbursement of costs incurred in connection with special needs, when applicable, shall be based on the supporting documents provided by the participant.

3.4 The financial support may not be used to cover similar costs already funded by EU funds.

3.5 Notwithstanding article 3.4, the grant is compatible with any other source of funding including revenue that the participant could receive working beyond its studies as long as he//she carries out the activities foreseen in Annex I.

3.6 The financial support or part thereof shall be repaid if the participant does not comply with the terms of the agreement. If the participant terminates the agreement before it ends, he/she shall have to refund the amount of the grant already paid, except if agreed differently with the sending institution. However, when the participant has been prevented from completing his/her mobility activities as described in Annex I due to force majeure, he/she shall be entitled to receive the amount of the grant corresponding to the actual duration of the mobility period as defined in article 2.2. Any remaining funds shall have to be refunded, except if agreed differently with the sending institution. Such cases shall be reported by the sending institution and accepted by the National Agency.

**ARTICLE 4 – PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS**

4.1 The Institution is only required to pay out to the grant holder sums it has already received from the Commission. The payment of the grant to the student will be made in three instalments:

**1st instalment – December 2017**

**2nd instalment – April 2018**

**3rd instalment – July/August 2018** (providing all required Erasmus/EU documents have been submitted.)

Payments shall be made to the participant’s own bank account. The participant provides his/her Irish bank details to their home institution.

**ARTICLE 5 – INSURANCE**

5.1 The participant shall have adequate insurance coverage. If a participant is not availing of the health/travel insurance provided to him/her by Maynooth University, the participant must provide a copy of adequate travel insurance including repatriation for the duration of the study abroad period.

5.2 Acknowledgement that **health insurance coverage** has been organised shall be included in this agreement.

**ARTICLE 6 – ONLINE LINGUISTIC SUPPORT**

[Only applicable for mobilities for which the main language of instruction or work is English, French, German, Italian, Spanish, or Dutch (or additional languages once they become available in the Online Linguistic Support (OLS) tool), with the exception of native speakers]

6.1. The participant must carry out the OLS language assessment before and at the end of the mobility period. The completion of the online assessment before departure is a pre-requisite for the mobility, except in duly justified cases.

6.3 [Only applicable to participants following an OLS language course] The participant shall follow the OLS language course, starting as soon as they receive access and making the most out of the service. The participant shall immediately inform the institution if he/she is unable to carry out the course, before accessing it.

**ARTICLE 7 – EU SURVEY**

7.1. The participant shall complete and submit the online EU Survey after the mobility abroad within 30 calendar days upon receipt of the invitation to complete it. Participants who fail to complete and submit the online EU Survey may be required by their institution to partially or fully reimburse the financial support received.

7.2 A complementary online survey may be sent to the participant allowing for full reporting on recognition issues.

**ARTICLE 8 – LAW APPLICABLE AND COMPETENT COURT**

8.1 The Agreement is governed by laws of Ireland.

8.2 The competent court determined in accordance with the applicable national law shall have sole jurisdiction to hear any dispute between the institution and the participant concerning the interpretation, application or validity of this Agreement, if such dispute cannot be settled amicably.

**SIGNATURES**

For the participant For Maynooth University

[Full Name] Wendy Cameron, Erasmus Officer

[signature] [signature]

Done at [place], [date] Done at Maynooth, [date]

**Annex II**

**GENERAL CONDITIONS**

**Article 1: Liability**

Each party of this agreement shall exonerate the other from any civil liability for damages suffered by him or his staff as a result of performance of this agreement, provided such damages are not the result of serious and deliberate misconduct on the part of the other party or his staff.

The National Agency of Ireland, the European Commission or their staff shall not be held liable in the event of a claim under the agreement relating to any damage caused during the execution of the mobility period. Consequently, the National Agency of Ireland or the European Commission shall not entertain any request for indemnity of reimbursement accompanying such claim.

**Article 2: Termination of the agreement**

In the event of failure by the participant to perform any of the obligations arising from the agreement, and regardless of the consequences provided for under the applicable law, the institution is legally entitled to terminate or cancel the agreement without any further legal formality where no action is taken by the participant within one month of receiving notification by registered letter.

If the participant terminates the agreement before its agreement ends or if he/she fails to follow the agreement in accordance with the rules, he/she shall have to refund the amount of the grant already paid, except if agreed differently with the sending organisation.

In case of termination by the participant due to "force majeure", i.e. an unforeseeable exceptional situation or event beyond the participant's control and not attributable to error or negligence on his/her part, the participant shall be entitled to receive the amount of the grant corresponding to the actual duration of the mobility period as defined in article 2.2. Any remaining funds shall have to be refunded, except if agreed differently with the sending organisation.

**Article 3: Data Protection**

All personal data contained in the agreement shall be processed in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the EU institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data. Such data shall be processed solely in connection with the implementation and follow-up of the agreement by the sending institution, the National Agency and the European Commission, without prejudice to the possibility of passing the data to the bodies responsible for inspection and audit in accordance with EU legislation (Court of Auditors or European Antifraud Office (OLAF)).

The participant may, on written request, gain access to his personal data and correct any information that is inaccurate or incomplete. He/she should address any questions regarding the processing of his/her personal data to the sending institution and/or the National Agency. The participant may lodge a complaint against the processing of his personal data with the [national supervising body for data protection] with regard to the use of these data by the sending institution, the National Agency, or to the European Data Protection Supervisor with regard to the use of the data by the European Commission.

**Article 4: Checks and Audits**

The parties of the agreement undertake to provide any detailed information requested by the European Commission, the National Agency of Ireland or by any other outside body authorised by the European Commission or the National Agency of Ireland to check that the mobility period and the provisions of the agreement are being properly implemented.