

COOPERATION AGREEMENT EXECUTED BY AND BETWEEN THE UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL AUTÓNOMA DE MÉXICO (HEREINAFTER "UNAM"), HEREIN REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY GENERAL, DR. EDUARDO BÁRZANA GARCÍA AND BY THE COORDINATOR OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, DR. CARLOS ARÁMBURO DE LA HOZ, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE INSTITUTE OF NUCLEAR SCIENCES, DR. MIGUEL ALCUBIERRE MOYA, AND THE INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR RELATIVISTIC ASTROPHYSICS (HEREINAFTER "ICRANet") HEREIN REPRESENTED BY ITS DIRECTOR, DR. REMO RUFFINI, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING RECITALS AND CLAUSES:

RECITALS

I. UNAM states that:

- 1 In accordance with article 1 of its Organic Law, published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on January 6, 1945, it is a public decentralized entity of the State, with full legal capacity, whose purpose is that of providing higher education to form professionals, researchers, university faculty and technicians that are useful to society, as well as that of organizing and conducting research dealing mainly with national issues and conditions and to disseminate to the greatest extent possible the benefits of culture.
- 2 Its legal representation is vested in its Rector, Dr. José Narro Robles, as provided in articles 9 of its Organic Law and 30 first paragraph of its General Statutes, being vested with powers of delegation pursuant to section I of article 34 of said Statutes.
- 3 Dr. Eduardo Bárzana García, in his capacity as Secretary General, and Dr. Carlos Arámburo de la Hoz, in his capacity as Coordinator of Scientific Research, are both vested with the authority to enter into this instrument, in accordance with the Resolution to delegate and allocate responsibilities for the signing of agreements, contracts and other consensual instruments entered into by UNAM, published in the University Bulletin (*Gaceta UNAM*) on September 5, 2011.
- 4 The Institute of Nuclear Sciences, whose head is Dr. Miguel Alcubierre Moya, is part of the organizational and administrative structure of the UNAM, and has the infrastructure and resources required to enter into and perform under this agreement.
- 5 For all legal purposes hereunder it designates as its address that located at 9° piso de la Torre de Rectoría, Ciudad Universitaria, Delegación Coyoacán, Código Postal 04510, México, Distrito Federal.

II. ICRANet states that:

- 1 It is an independent international institution having full legal capacity and its own authority, privileges, infrastructure and required conditions to efficiently engage in the activities to achieve its purposes, and that it was created on March 19, 2003 under Resolution published in the *Gazetta Ufficiale della Repubblica Italiana*.

- 2 among its purposes are those of promoting international scientific cooperation and research in the field of relativistic astrophysics.
- 3 Dr. Remo Ruffini, in his capacity as ICRA Net Director has the required powers and authority to enter into this agreement, this as set forth in the minutes of the first meeting of its Steering Committee held on September 12, 2005.
- 4 For all legal purposes hereunder it designates as its address that located at Piazza della Repubblica 10-65100 Pescara, Italia.

III. BOTH PARTIES state that:

SOLE: In consideration of the foregoing, they agree to be bound by the terms and conditions set forth in the following:

C L A U S E S

FIRST.- PURPOSE:

The purpose of this agreement is that of regulating the activities addressed to promoting academic cooperation between the UNAM and ICRA Net.

SECOND.- ACTIVITIES:

In order to achieve the purpose of this Agreement the parties agree to undertake the activities set forth herein below:

1. The institutional exchange of faculty, researchers and graduate level students;
2. The promotion of teaching and/or research activities relating to the fields of interest to both UNAM and ICRA Net;
3. The organization of seminars, lectures, workshops and short courses in the above mentioned field;
4. Technical and scientific support for cultural events and activities open to the public;
5. The development of activities geared towards the training of high-level, specialized university professors and researchers;
6. The organization of regular and advanced training courses and the inter-institutional development of the fields of research relating to the local graduate level programs;
7. Joint publications;
8. Open lectures and other activities geared towards the dissemination of science;
9. Exchange of teaching and research activity information in each institution.

FIFTEENTH.- INTERPRETATION AND PERFORMANCE

The parties agree that this Agreement is entered into in good faith and therefore any disputes or controversies which may arise as regards its interpretation, or execution and performance hereunder shall be resolved by the Technical Committee to which reference is made in clause Sixth hereof, by mutual agreement of the parties.

This agreement having been read and the parties acknowledging being cognizant of its content and legal scope, they sign it in five counterparts, in Mexico City, Federal District, on the fifteenth day of the month of February of the year two thousand and thirteen.

UNAM

ICRANet

By: 

DR. EDUARDO BÁRZANA GARCÍA
SECRETARY GENERAL

By: 

DR. REMO RUFFINI
DIRECTOR

15/02/2013

By: 

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