

Annex 2.

Cooperation agreement



PARTIES TO THE COOPERATION AGREEMENT

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All full partners hereinafter are collectively referred to as **Parties**.

The Parties have agreed to the following terms and conditions, including those in the annexes, which form an integral part of this Cooperation Agreement (hereinafter the Agreement).

Parties encourage the participation of the partners of the SEA-EU alliance in designing and implementing the Programme. These include almost one hundred associated partners, encompassing regional and local governments, companies, business confederations, student and citizen associations, NGOs, research centres, and think tanks.

Article 1. Purpose and scope of the agreement

1. All Parties of this Agreement agree to cooperate in the preparation, delivery, and quality assurance of Joint Doctoral Study Programme "Marine and Maritime Sciences and Technologies" (hereafter the Programme). They also agree to provide all the necessary resources and support for the efficient implementation of the Programme.
2. Parties shall commit themselves to the ongoing management of the Agreement, to the maintenance of the quality and standards of the Programme and to ensure positive student experience.
3. This Cooperation Agreement specifies the rights and obligations of the Parties in the implementation of the Programme as outlined in the Self-Evaluation Report.

Article 2. Legal framework and the Programme accreditation

1. Parties comprise seven full partners that are part of the SEA-EU alliance. They all have legal national frameworks, which entitle them to participate in the Programme.
2. The accreditation of the Programme will be carried out in accordance with legal frameworks of the Coordinating institution (UNIST) as well as national, and European legal frameworks. Consequently, the Programme will undergo accreditation by the Agency for Science and Higher Education of the Republic of Croatia (Agencija za znanost i visoko obrazovanje, AZVO).

Article 3. Management of the Programme

The Programme will be implemented through the following governing and management structures.

The university at which the doctoral students are resident at any time shall be referred to as the "home/recruiting institution". At any point in time, each student shall be associated with one home institution.

3.1. Programme governance

3.1.1. Roles and duties

The Programme adopts an integrated approach, involving the partner institutions, students, associated partners, and stakeholders with the following distribution of roles:

- a. UNIST is responsible for coordinating the accreditation of the Programme. Accreditation will be performed by AZVO in accordance with the Standards and guidelines for Quality Assurance in the European Higher Education Area (ESG).
- b. As the coordinating university, UNIST is also tasked with the Programme administration, enrolment of doctoral students and issuing the joint doctoral degree (diploma) and its accompanying supplement.
- c. Parties participate in joint academic governance, admission and recognition processes, teaching and assessment activities, supervision and assessment of doctoral thesis, mobility and quality assurance procedures. They collectively provide student support and resources and contribute to the promotion and dissemination of the Programme.
- d. Doctoral students have been involved in the design of the Programme and will continue to participate in its academic governance and quality assurance procedures.

3.1.2. Joint governing bodies

1. Doctoral Council (DCL)

Doctoral Council (DCL) is the highest authority body, monitoring the work of the Doctoral Committee (DCM) and establishing communication with the governing bodies of individual university of the Consortium. DCL is composed of two governing-level representatives from each Full Partner appointed by the rectors and 2 doctoral students selected by the enrolled students. DCL is responsible for:

- a) Communicating with each university (in coordination with DCM).
- b) Announcing the selection procedure for the Programme enrolment.
- c) Appointing the members of DCM and its Director.
- d) Managing and updating the pool of potential supervisors/co-supervisors and their matching on specific topic proposals.
- e) Approving Doctoral Thesis supervisor(s) and co-supervisor (that were proposed by DCM).
- f) Approving the Research Plan Evaluation Committees, appointed by DCM.
- g) Approving the Thesis Evaluation Committee, appointed by DCM
- h) Analysing and deciding on the reports of DCM.
- i) Deciding on and proposing changes in the Programme.
- j) Deciding on the suspension of doctoral student status upon the justification provided by DCM.

k) Deciding on pedagogical, organizational, financial, technical and other issues related to the successful implementation of the Programme.

DCL meetings will take place, with no fewer than two meetings per academic year and including an annual general meeting (preferably in person).

2. Doctoral Committee (DCM)

Doctoral Committee (DCM) is the Programme managing body composed of two professors from each Partner university of the Consortium appointed by DCL. Led by the Doctoral Committee Director, DCM has an executive role and responsibility for managing the Programme, its execution and monitoring of individual doctoral student progress. DCM will perform the following tasks:

Organising potential supervisors' meetings, analysing their potential matching fields of expertise, prior to admission calls.

- a) Approving candidates' finalised Research Plan (that has been endorsed by the Research Plan Evaluation Committee).
- b) Checking whether supervisors and doctoral students follow the Programme rules.
- c) Drafting proposals for ordinances and regulations necessary for the normal operation of the Programme.
- d) Conducting the selection procedure and enrolment of doctoral students.
- e) Answering doctoral students' requests.
- f) Analysing doctoral students' self-evaluation reports and supervisors' reports about the students' progress.
- g) Preparing documents for the meetings of DCL.
- h) Suggesting the supervisor, co-supervisor, and Doctoral Thesis to be discussed at the DCL meeting.
- i) Reviewing reports of unethical practices (e.g. plagiarism).

DCM will meet virtually at least once a semester to facilitate the smooth running of the Programme, and deal with any arising issues. The Associated Partner and student representatives can be invited to attend meetings of DCM.

Additionally, DCM is the main body responsible for the quality of the Programme, as follows:

- a) DCM is obliged to keep detailed records of the research work and other fulfilled study obligations of each doctoral student, including the Research Plan with timelines and financial aspects along with doctoral student yearly progress reports.
- b) DCM must keep records for each supervisor/co-supervisor(s) on the number of enrolled doctoral students and the number of doctoral students who have defended their Thesis.
- c) Every doctoral student must submit to DCM an annual self-evaluation report. The supervisor prepares an annual report about the candidate's progress to DCM.

d) DCM shall conduct an annual self-evaluation and submit the report to DCL. The evaluation criteria include the scientific performance of the supervisors/co-supervisors with doctoral student, statistical indicators on the duration of the study, on the annual number of new doctoral degrees in relation to the number of doctoral students, and international cooperation.

3. Research Plan Evaluation Committee (RPEC)

Research Plan Evaluation Committee (RPEC) is a committee of academics appointed by DCM for the evaluation of each research project plan.

RPEC members must be university professors with the expertise in the general area of the research topic. The proposed supervisor/co-supervisor of the doctoral candidate can be a member of RPEC.

a) It will meet max. six months after the enrolment to evaluate the candidate's research plan.

4. Thesis Evaluation Committee (TEC)

a) For the evaluation and defence of the Doctoral Thesis (dissertation), DCL appoints Thesis Evaluation Committee (TEC) consisting of at least three members based on DCM proposal. TEC members must be university professors with background (publication record, project coordination, professional activity) in the topic of Doctoral Thesis. The proposed supervisor /(co)supervisor of the doctoral candidate cannot be TEC member.

b) If the Programme would be organised as the Industrial Doctoral Study Programme, TEC will include a representative from the industry with Doctoral degree.

5. Internal Quality Assurance Committee (IQAC)

Internal Quality Assurance Committee (IQAC) is tasked with monitoring, evaluating, and enhancing the quality of the Programme, fostering a culture of continuous improvement in accordance with the Coordinating institution practice taking into consideration the Internal Quality Assurance Handbook approved by the Quality and Ethics Committee of the SEA-EU alliance.

IQAC is made of one representative from each Party, and one doctoral student that are appointed by DCL. Where appropriate, external experts can be invited to IQAC.

Two ordinary meetings shall be held per academic year. IQAC will be in charge of:

- a) Establishing mechanisms for monitoring and evaluating the Programme performance, including student outcomes and satisfaction.
- b) Monitoring compliance with established quality standards and benchmarks.
- c) Conducting periodic assessments and audits to evaluate adherence to quality assurance guidelines.

- d) Collecting and analysing data on the student learning outcomes, satisfaction levels, retention rates, and their employability for assessing the effectiveness of the programme, among others.

6. Local Academic coordinator (LAC)

Local Academic coordinator (LAC) is responsible for coordination of the Programme implementation and coordination at home institution.

7. Local Administration Offices (LAOs)

Local Administration Offices (LAOs) are essential for the Programme efficient operation and management. These offices are tasked with:

- a) Coordinating academic and administrative activities among the different universities associated with the Programme.
- b) Providing comprehensive support to doctoral students. This includes assistance with the admissions process, academic guidance, enrolment management, and resolution of administrative queries.
- c) LAO of the coordinating institution (UNIST) is overseeing critical administrative processes such as student enrolment, tuition fee management, maintenance of academic records, and issuance of certificates and diplomas.
- d) Acting as a focal point for effective communication across all participating institutions.
- e) Organizing the Programme-related events such as workshops, seminars, and Doctoral defence and others.

3.2. Obligations of the coordinating institution

The coordinating institution (UNIST) shall oversee the administrative, and financial aspects of the Programme implementation. The coordinating institution shall be responsible for the following duties:

- 1. The coordination towards accreditation by AZVO, assuming full responsibility for all communication and interactions with the agency.
- 2. Provide comprehensive reports to the Parties, ensuring a thorough understanding of all administrative, and financial aspects.
- 3. Undertake all necessary steps to prepare, execute, and effectively manage the Programme, in alignment with the Self-evaluation report and relevant UNIST, national, and European legal frameworks.
- 4. Nominate UNIST representatives to serve on the joint governing bodies.

3.3. Obligations of the partner institutions

Each of the partner institutions shall be responsible for the following duties:

1. Undertake all necessary steps to prepare, execute, and effectively manage the Programme outlined in this agreement and its further annexes, and align with the Self-Evaluation Report.
2. Provide the Coordinating Institution with any information or documents required for the Programme's management.
3. Nominate the representatives of the partner institutions and actively participate in the joint governing bodies.
4. Promptly report any delays in performance or any event that may affect the Programme to DCM.
5. Relay relevant information received from third parties regarding the Programme to DCM.
6. Consistently act in good faith and in a manner that upholds the reputation and goodwill of all Parties, in accordance with scientific and academic ethics.

Article 4. Degree and Diploma

4.1. Joint Doctoral degree and diploma supplement

1. Doctorate qualification is granted upon successful completion of the Programme outlined in the Self-Evaluation Report, which includes the mandatory mobility component, as defined in Self-evaluation Report (section Mobility).
2. Each Doctoral diploma is accompanied by a diploma supplement that outlines the specifics of the student's accomplishments. It highlights the joint nature of the Programme, its structure, content, mobility requirements, and doctoral students' relevant achievements.
3. Degree awarded: Joint Doctoral Degree in Marine and Maritime Sciences and Technologies (area of (defined individually, corresponding to the thesis topic))
 - ISCED field(s) of study: 0388 Interdisciplinary programmes involving broad field 03
 - ISCED field(s) of study: 0488 Interdisciplinary programmes involving broad field 04
 - ISCED field(s) of study: 0588 Interdisciplinary programmes involving broad field 05
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 - ISCED field(s) of study: 1088 Interdisciplinary programmes involving broad field 10
4. The Thesis defence is conducted according to the procedures of the home institution. Home institution delivers confirmation (signed by the rector) about Doctoral defence to the candidate and to the Coordinating Institution. UNIST, as the Coordinating Institution, issues the final Doctoral diploma and its supplement according to relevant UNIST, national, and European legal frameworks.
 5. The Coordinating Institution will be responsible for:
 - a) Managing and maintaining students' records.
 - b) Issuing a unified joint Doctoral degree, along with its diploma supplement, and providing duplicates.
 6. The Partner institutions shall:
 - a) Recognise the joint degree award and the diploma supplement issued by the Coordinating Institution on their behalf.
 - b) Be responsible for, if applicable, registering the joint degree according to national laws and customs within its country.

Article 5. Student administration

5.1. Student application, selection and admission

The SEA-EU website will provide comprehensive information about the application procedure, including, the specific requirements, the phases of the application process and their respective calendar, and contact information. The information will also be provided on the partner universities' websites.

5.1.1. Selection and admission

1. The public call for enrolment to the Programme shall be published by all standard means of communication of the Consortium at least 90 days before the commencement of the Programme.
2. The applicant should be in possession of a degree equivalent to Level 7 of the European Qualifications Framework. The applicants for the Programme coming from non-EU universities must submit diplomas for recognition following current regulations at the university through which they are applying.
3. Compulsory application documents consist of a Research Proposal developed with assistance from potential supervisor(s), a Curriculum Vitae, prior learning

certifications, proficiency in English language (corresponding to at least B2 level) and a motivation letter.

4. Additional enrolment requirements shall be determined by DCM.
5. The interview of the applicant with potential supervisor(s) will be mandatory part of the selection procedure during which the potential supervisor(s) will evaluate potential applicants and the applicant will obtain the necessary information to develop Research Proposal.
6. An applicant whose application for enrolment has been denied may appeal to DCL through DCM whilst acknowledging regulations of the Coordinating Institution, responsible for administrative management of the programme.
7. Rights and obligations of a doctoral student should be regulated with an agreement. The agreement should regulate the status of doctoral student, tuition fees, other costs, and the rights and obligations of the contracting parties. It is signed between doctoral student, home institution, co-supervisors' institution(s), if any, and UNIST as the Coordinating institution.
8. After enrolment, doctoral student has to finalise the Research Plan assisted by supervisor and co-supervisor(s), if any. If Research Plan is approved, within a maximum of six months from enrolment, by RPEC, doctoral student proceeds with the development of Doctoral Thesis.

5.2. Performance monitoring

5.2.1. Student assessment

The Programme shall be carried out primarily by research and to a lesser extent by targeted training and/or workshops that improve general skills related to scientific tools and methodology, specific knowledge related to the topic of research, or transversal skills useful to apply and disseminate research. This is defined initially, upon admission in the Research Proposal and afterwards within 6 months from admission in the Research Plan and supported by a viable financial plan and timeline.

A detailed Research Proposal is to be submitted within 6 months from the start of the study. The supervisor, assisted by co-supervisor(s) if necessary, is jointly responsible with the doctoral student for its preparation. If the developed research proposal does not meet the required quality, they will be asked to improve it.

Doctoral student progress is monitored yearly by means of a progress report submitted by the supervisor to DCM and approved by DCL. The progress must be in line with the previously approved Research Plan.

Before submitting Doctoral Thesis, the doctoral candidate is required to publish or to have accepted for publication at least one scientific paper in journals listed in the Web of Science database (Q1 or Q2) or, in the case of candidates in social sciences and the humanities, listed in Scopus or otherwise, that is eligible as high-

quality publications and thematically related to the doctoral research in which doctoral candidate is one of the principal authors.

5.3. Mobility

1. During the Programme, research stays/mobility periods are mandatory.
2. The minimum mobility period is 6 months (this mobility period can be longer than 6 months or can be divided into several shorter periods amounting to a minimum of 6 months), usually at the co-supervisor's university but not limited to.
3. Preferably, but not mandatory, training activities are taken at other than supervisor/co-supervisor universities.
4. The Coordinating Institution and Parties shall provide students with pertinent and timely information regarding academic requirements, mobility services, administrative prerequisites, and financial regulations associated with mobility.
5. Parties shall ensure the students receive necessary funds to participate in the mandatory mobility component, primarily through the Erasmus+ grants.

5.4. Insurance

1. Parties commit to provide doctoral students with the same insurance coverage obtained by other international doctoral students aligned with relevant regulations of the Coordinating and home institution.
2. Doctoral students are required to obtain adequate health insurance and legal liability insurance, if so required. Parties commit to provide appropriate information to students on the type of health insurance which may be required either before their arrival or once they have registered at the home institution.

5.5. Services available for students

1. The Coordinating Institution is tasked to provide comprehensive information on the Programme, including academic guidelines, support services, administrative procedures, and essential resources for students.
2. The home institution(s) shall be responsible for facilitating doctoral students' integration into new cultural and academic environment at their respective campuses.
3. The home institution(s) shall ensure that doctoral students have access to all services offered to their regular local students enrolled. These services include, at a minimum, access to appropriate library, ICT, and learning facilities; support for obtaining visas and residence permits; assistance in securing adequate accommodation; counselling; and other related student and administrative support

services. Additionally, each Partner Institution is encouraged to offer any available language courses.

5.6. Doctoral student rights and responsibilities

1. Doctoral students shall be entitled to the same rights and privileges, and be subject to the same duties and responsibilities, as outlined in coordinating and partner institution's regulations, procedures, and customs (including any disciplinary regulations) for elements of the Programme delivered by the respective institution. It is recognized that variations in the general regulations of partner institutions are acceptable.

Article 6. Staff

6.1. Academic staff

1. The Coordinating and Partner institutions shall be responsible for appointing an adequate number of qualified academic staff (professors, researchers) to deliver various components of the Programme, as outlined in this Cooperation Agreement and the Self-Evaluation Report.

6.2. Administrative staff

1. The Full Partner institutions are responsible for appointing a sufficient number of qualified administrative staff to manage and support various administrative components of the Programme, as outlined in this Cooperation Agreement and the Self-Evaluation Report.

2. The administrative staff will collaborate closely across institutions to facilitate communication, coordination, and the exchange of best practices, thereby ensuring the smooth running of the Programme while maintaining high administrative standards.

6.3. Staff mobility

1. The Full Partner institutions shall regulate the reception and/or employment of faculty members and administrative staff intended to participate in mobility under this Agreement, in conformity with their regulations and national law, where required and applicable.

2. Personnel covered by this Agreement shall continue to comply with the contractual obligations of their originating university and shall continue to receive their due remuneration and benefit from the rights that they are entitled to for their legal position, according to the legislative norms existing in the country of the originating university. In each case, the originating university shall consider the duration of the stay as an ordinary service period, for all intents and purposes.
3. The Parties agree that all financial issues relating to payments due to mobile staff shall be negotiated during the delivery of the programme and shall depend on the availability of funds.
4. Staff mobility must result in concrete added value to the delivery of the degree programme at another Full Partner Institution or associated partner.

Article 7. Quality assurance

1. The Internal Quality Assurance Committee (IQAC) shall be responsible for the overall quality and standards of the Programme.
2. Quality assurance shall be based on both internal and external assessment measures, involving the relevant stakeholders in the Programme.
3. External quality assurance shall comprise at least required national accreditation procedures which are applicable to the coordinating institution.
4. Internal quality mechanisms, evaluation processes are defined at the Coordinating Institution taking into consideration the Internal Quality Handbook of the SEA-EU Joint Programmes.

Article 8. Financial management

1. The Programme budget was made on the two major principals, transparency and sustainability.
2. The financial model is transparent and sustainable, fully funded by tuitions, with no hidden costs or additional financial burden on the partner universities. Potential additional sources of funding could also include EU funds, government agencies, ministries of education, universities, local communities or stakeholders. With the proposed budget, students have guaranteed funds for their research.
3. The annual tuition per student is set at € 5.000,00.
From the income from tuitions, the expenses are being shared in proportions:
 - a) Research expenses – 60 %
 - b) Teaching expenses – 15 %
 - c) Administration/overhead expenses – 25 %, divided in two parts:
 - a. Home/recruiting university – 15 %
 - b. Coordinating university – 10 %

4. The home/recruiting university will manage 75 % of the tuition (60 % for research, 15 % for overhead) independently, with the rights to waive fees for selected students, but the coordinating university will require a written guarantee to cover student expenses, which needs to be written in the contract with the student.
5. The remaining 25 % (€ 1.250,00 per year) must be paid to the coordinating university for teaching expenses and central administration.
6. DCM is proposing the annual budget of the Programme, including tuitions, to Vice Rectors' of the SEA-EU for approval before being submitted to the rectors.
7. Rectors are finally approving the annual budget of the Programme proposed by the Vice Rectors' of the SEA-EU.

Article 9. Intellectual property

1. Foreground intellectual property (IP) from the Programme implementation is owned by the Party that generated it. If more than one Party has contributed to the foreground IP, it shall be owned jointly by the Parties in proportion to their contributions. This ownership shall be regulated by a separate Agreement between the involved Parties.
2. Any Intellectual Property generated by Student in connection with the Programme shall be subject to the rules of the respective Partner/Coordinating Institution where the doctoral student was enrolled at the time the intellectual property was created.
3. Any intellectual property generated by the staff shall be subject to the rules of the employing institution.

Article 10. Dissemination of the Programme

10.1. Promotion

1. The Parties shall undertake marketing, advertising and promotional activities to ensure global visibility of the Programme, the SEA-EU alliance and potential funding entities.
2. Publicity material of the Programme must receive approval from DCL.

10.2. Website

1. There shall be a single, comprehensive, integrated website for the Programme that provides all necessary information on the Programme.
2. The coordinating institution, acting on behalf of the Parties, shall be responsible for setting up and maintaining updated information on the SEA-EU website.
3. The Partner Institutions shall provide input for the Programme website.
4. The Partner institutions shall maintain links to the Programme website and on the websites of their respective institution.

10.3. Use of crest and logos

1. The endorsement of each Partner Institution shall be required prior to the explicit use of its identity (name, logo, colours and typeface) in advertisements, prospectuses and other publicity materials.
2. Each Partner Institution hereby undertakes that it shall not at any time, use, or permit to be used by third parties, the name, insignia, logo or other distinctive identifying feature of the other Partner Institutions, except where such use is authorised.

Article 11. Duration and validity of the agreement

11.1. Entry to force, duration, and termination

1. This Cooperation Agreement comes into effect upon signature by all parties and upon the programme receiving a positive evaluation from AZVO based on the Self-Evaluation Report, followed by the accreditation of the Programme. The Cooperation Agreement is valid until the end of the Programme implementation.
2. An entity or individual may become an Associated Partner to this Cooperation Agreement upon signing separate Agreement with the Parties.

11.2. Amendment

1. The Cooperation Agreement may be modified by the Parties and signed by its all members.
2. Subject to the approval of the Parties, annexes to this Cooperation Agreement can be adopted and revised without requiring a renewal of the Agreement.

11.3. Withdrawal of Parties

1. Each Party to this Agreement retains the right to terminate their commitment through a phased withdrawal, for any reason, by providing written notice to the Parties (12) months prior to the 31st of August of any given year.
2. Should a Party decide to withdraw from the Programme, DCL will oversee the phased withdrawal process, prioritising the interests of enrolled students and ensuring the necessary conditions for their successful completion of the Programme.
3. Any Party seeking to terminate its commitment must devise a phased withdrawal plan, which includes a thorough analysis, assessment, and reporting of its legal obligations to each doctoral student to DCL. If the Partner is unable to fulfil its obligations to its students during the withdrawal process, arrangements will be made to transfer these obligations to another Party institution.
4. DCL reserves the right to request a Party to withdraw its commitment to this Agreement should that Party consistently fail to fulfil its obligations and requirements as outlined herein, or in the event of circumstances that would render the implementation of the Programme and associated activities illegal or unethical.

Article 12. Settlement of disputes

1. If any dispute arises in connection with this Agreement, including questions regarding its existence, validity, or termination, and such dispute is not resolved through conciliation or mutual settlement between the Parties within a reasonable timeframe, it shall be referred to arbitration. The Party alleging the dispute shall communicate in writing the details of the subject and circumstances to the other Party/Parties, with a copy provided to DCL.
2. DCL shall serve as the initial level of arbitration.
3. In the event that the disagreement cannot be resolved by DCL, each Party shall nominate a member to serve on an Arbitration Panel, chosen from individuals outside the subject area of the Programme. The Arbitration Panel will designate an impartial Chairperson.
4. The Panel thus constituted shall establish its choice of law, and establish its own procedural rules.
5. The decision of the Panel shall be considered final, and upon its communication to the Parties and DCL, they shall promptly comply with it.

Article 13. Signature pages

1. The Signature Page is done in seven original copies.
2. The Partners institutions will keep an original copy of this Agreement and its signed signature pages.

SIGNED AS AGREED BY:

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