

COOPERATION AGREEMENT

**BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITIES OF
ANCONA, BOLOGNA, FIRENZE, MOLISE, NAPOLI, PADOVA,
RIJEKA, SPLIT, TRIESTE, UDINE AND ZAGREB**

For the constitution of the network

ABIC-BME

According to the common wish to promote the international inter-university cooperation, in particular in the Adriatic-Balcanian-Ionian Area, the Universities of Ancona (IT), Bologna (IT), Firenze (IT), Molise (IT), Napoli (IT), Padova (IT), Rijeka (HR), Split (HR), Trieste (IT), Udine (IT), Zagreb (HR), represented by their Rectors, draw up the following cooperation Agreement, in compliance with the Ancona Declaration of May 19th, 2000, the Ravenna Declaration on the Establishment of the Inter-University Network UNIADRION of December 16th, 2000 and the Article 2 of the Italian Inter-ministerial Decree of February 10th, 1988.

Article 1

Within the common interests in the field of biomedical engineering, the Universities undersigning this document will create a multidisciplinary didactic network - ABIC-BME: Adriatic-Balcanic-Ionian Cooperation on Bio-Medical Engineering - to cooperate for the international education in clinical engineering, medical and health informatics, health telematics, telemedicine, HTA (Health Technology Assessment), health economy and health organization, with traditional as well as with tele-didactic courses, by strengthening and coordinating the numerous existing bilateral agreements between couples of Universities, and operating in the frame of the multilateral agreement UNIADRION, undersigned by the Italian Universities of Ancona, Bologna, Trieste (all three participating to ABIC-BME), as well as by the University of Split and by Ministries of their two countries.

Article 2

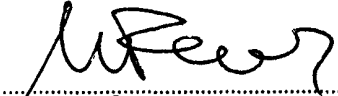


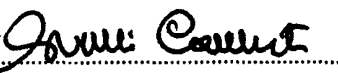

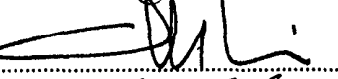
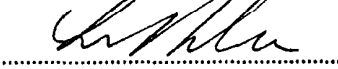
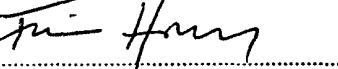
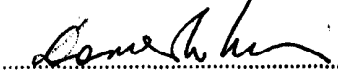
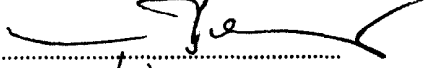
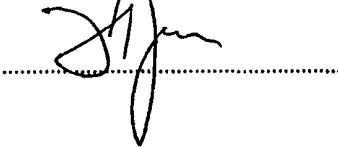
The ABIC-BME network, proposed by the University of Trieste, will be co-ordinated by prof. Paolo Inchingolo, Delegate of the Rector of the University of Trieste.

Article 3

The ABIC-BME network will start as the project proposed by prof. Paolo Inchingolo to the Italian Ministry of University and Scientific and Technological Research - MURST (now MIUR), to be granted as International Inter-University Co-operation - Year 2001 - cap. 1276, with the title "ABIC-BME: Adriatic-Balcanic-Ionian Cooperation on Bio-Medical Engineering. Multidisciplinary Didactic Cooperation in the field of Biomedical Engineering: clinical engineering, medical and health informatics, health telematics, telemedicine, HTA (Health Technology Assessment), health economy and health organization", MIUR protocol n. COOP0132BC, closed the 2nd of July, 2001, known and acknowledged by all the participating Universities.

Article 4

As a function of the funding that will be hopefully assigned by the MIUR Italian Ministry to the project, the activities within the ABIC-BME network will be organized by a Committee constituted by one Rector Representative for each of the participating Universities, headed by the Coordinator of the project. The Committee will work in strict cooperation with the interested didactic bodies - bioengineering, biology, medicine and economics - of the Faculties of the Universities, which will also assign their local resources through their Rector Representatives. The local resources related to the University of Zagreb will be assigned directly by the involved Faculties of that University.

Rom, July 12, 2001	prof. Marco Pacetti, Rector, University of Ancona	
Rom, July 12, 2001	prof. Pier Ugo Calzolari, Rector, University of Bologna	
Rom, July 12, 2001	prof. Augusto Marinelli, Rector, University of Firenze	
Rom, July 12, 2001	prof. Giovanni Cannata, Rector, University of Molise	
Rom, July 12, 2001	prof. Giuseppe Marrucci, on the behalf of prof. Paolo Corradini, <i>Decano</i> , University of Napoli Federico II	
Padua, July 17, 2001	prof. Giovanni Marchesini, Rector, University of Padova	
Trieste, July 10, 2001	prof. Lucio Delcaro, Rector, University of Trieste	
Rom, July 12, 2001	prof. Furio Honsell, Rector, University of Udine	
Rijeka, July 20, 2001	prof. Daniel Rukavina, Rector, University of Rijeka	
Split, July 23, 2001	prof. Ivo Babic, Rector, University of Split	
Zagreb, July 25, 2001	prof. Branko Jeren, Rector, University of Zagreb	

UNIVERSITY OF ZAGREB



Zagreb, 11 July 2001

ATTACHMENT

to the Agreement for the ABIC-BME project:
Adriatic-Balcanic-Ionian Co-operation on Bio-Medical Engineering

The Senate of the University of Zagreb on its session July 10, 2001 approved the participation of the University of Zagreb in this programme with the additional article which relates to our participation in the programme:

Article 1.

The hosting faculties of the University of Zagreb will take care of travel and other expenses related to the academic exchange according to the basic structural subsidiary principle of the university and its faculties (which includes financial subsidiarity as well).

- UBIU, ANCONA PROF. FACETTI
- " BOLOGNA " CALZOLARI
- " FIRENZE " KARIVELLI
- " MOLISE " SANNATA
- " NAPOLI FED. II " MARRUCCI
- " PADOVA " MARCHESINI
- " TRIESTE " DELCARO
- " UDINE " HONCELL
- " RIJEKA " RUKAVINA
- " SPLIT " BABIC
- " ZAGREB " JEREN

[Handwritten signatures for each faculty listed above]

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 Professor Branko Jeren, Ph.D.
 Rector of the University of Zagreb

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Trieste, 26.7.2001

il funzionario amministrativo
capo ripartizione



Victor