SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION AGREEMENT

Between

THE UNIVERSITY ABDERRAHMANE MIRA BEJAIA (ALGERIA)

And

THE INSTITUTE OF CHEMISTRY AND TECHNOLOGY OF POLYMERS (ICTP) OF CNR POZZUOLI - NAPLES (ITALY)

The UNIVERSITY ABDERRAHMANE MIRA OF BEJAIA in Algeria and the INSTITUTE OF CHEMISTRY AND TECHNOLOGY OF POLYMERS (ICTP) OF NATIONAL COUNCIL OF RESEARCH (CNR) OF ITALY, residence in via Campi Flegrei n° 34, CAP 80078 Pozzuoli-Naples have a mutual interest in interchange of personnel, exchange of technical information, and cooperation in research, on the assumption that both parties make efforts jointly for the mutual benefit of research and development of polymer materials and technologies

Hereby agree as follows:

1. Joint Research Activities

The activity in collaboration can be carried on through: scientific activity, coparticipation to projects presented for public finance, educational activity and scientific formation within Master thesis, Ph.D. thesis and post doctoral activity.

Joint research activities will be conducted on a case-by-case basis after that both parties agree on the research project.

To accomplish the research project, each institution can use research and testing facilities of the other parties and vice versa as defined in article 2.

2. Interchange of Personnel

Both parties can interchange personnel in the result of prior consultation, and can execute research, technical guidance and training in both institutes. The ICTP – CNR will make the facilities of its laboratories available to Algerian researchers of the University of Béjaia spending time in the CNR-Institute for experimental research at no cost.

The ICTP can provide financial support for accommodation according to ICTP budget and after agreement with the other side (University A. Mira of Béjaia).

The University A. Mira of Béjaia will also make the facilities of its laboratories available to Italian researchers of ICTP spending some time in its laboratories for experimental research at no cost. The University A. Mira can provide financial support for accommodation after agreement with the Italian Institution.

3. Exchange of Technical Information

Both parties can exchange research reports and periodicals published by each Institute, information and the other useful technical data.

4. Industrial Proprietorship

Any inventions obtained by conducting research and project provided for in this Scientific Cooperation Agreement (SCA) during the effective period of this SCA shall be subject to the prior written agreement between two parties.

5. Publication of Research Results

Each Institute can publish research results obtained by conducting research and project provided for in this Scientific Cooperation Agreement during the effective period of this SCA with the prior written consent of the other party.

6. Coordinator

A coordinator will be designated by each party to accomplish effective cooperation of research and activity, and prepare it. The coordinator, if necessary, will hold joint conference, where cooperation plan and results will be analyzed, discussed and reported to the president of each institution for the purpose of improving the cooperation. The coordinators must keep all the copies of going and coming documents between both parties. Each party shall notify, by written notice to the other party, of any change in its coordinator.

7. Effective period

This SCA shall be in effect for five (05) years from the date of signing. Effective period may be extended by mutual agreement.

March 2nd, 2004

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