



COOPERATION PACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TURIN, THE ITALIAN REPUBLIC, AND

THE CITY OF GUANGZHOU, THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

The City of Turin, the Italian Republic, and the City of Guangzhou, the People's Republic of China, referred to as the Parties

In consideration of the belief that the strengthening of dialogue between cities is a fundamental step towards the development and promotion of economic, academic and cultural relations between the Parties.

In consideration of the existing collaboration between the City of Turin, the Politecnico of Turin and the Pearl River Piano Cultural Park Management Company, responsible for the development and management of the Pearl River Piano Cultural Park, in the frame of the project called Italian Cultural Box.

In consideration of the support given by the City of Turin and by the City of Guangzhou to the collaboration between the South China University of Technology of Guangzhou and the Politecnico of Turin,

within the scope of their competences, hereby agree on the following:

Article 1

(Goals and Scope)

This Cooperation Pact aims to develop the exchanges and cooperation between the City of Turin and the City of Guangzhou and to consolidate friendship between the Parties.

Article 2

(Clause of compliance with regulatory provisions)

This Cooperation Pact shall operate in full respect of national laws and regulations of the two countries, in accordance with international obligations and with the obligations assumed by Italy as a Member State of the European Union.

Article 3

(Cooperation activities)

a) Cultural cooperation

Both Parties shall cooperate to promote and carry out activities facilitating cultural cooperation among the cultural institutions of both territories and the promotion of cultural heritage.

b) Economic cooperation

Both Parties shall support and foster, thanks to the economic boards in charge, the cooperation among enterprises of both cities to promote commercial and economic development.

c) Education and academic cooperation

Both Parties shall encourage schools in their own city to establish international sister schools relations with schools in the other city, and support their universities to develop exchanges and cooperation on various areas.

d) Cooperation on tourism

Both Parties shall promote and carry out activities fostering cooperation in the field of tourism between the relevant institutions of both territories, and promote the respective cities as a tourist destination developing actions aimed at encouraging the tourist offer and the promotion of their image and brand.

Article 4

(Clause of financial neutrality)

Any activities planned by or originating from this Cooperation Pact shall be covered, as regards the Italian Party, by the budget of the City of Turin, without any additional financial burdens on the Italian Government.

Article 5

(Disclosure)

Both Parties shall inform the relevant Embassies of their countries of any initiatives and progresses thereof developed in the framework of this Cooperation Pact.

Article 6

(Amendments and Integrations)

Any amendments or integrations to this Cooperation Pact shall be provided in writing and shall be subject to the written consent of both Parties. For the Italian Party, any amendments or integrations shall follow the same procedures observed for the approval of this Cooperation Pact.

Article 7

(Interpretive divergences)

Divergences caused by or related to this Cooperation Pact, including in the interpretation or implementation thereof, shall be settled amicably by the Parties through consultations.

Article 8

(Effective Date and Duration)

This Cooperation Pact shall take effect from the date of signature by both Parties and shall remain effective for 5 (five) years. It shall be tacitly renewed, unless otherwise expressly agreed by the Parties and in accordance with the respective national laws. This Cooperation Pact may be terminated at any time by either Party upon written notice to the other Party.

Done and signed on .. [.. [...] in two originals, each in the Italian, English and Chinese languages, all texts being equally authentic.

For the City of Turin

The Mayor

Chiara Appendino

For the City of Guangzhou

The Mayor

Wen Guohui