



**SPECIFIC COLLABORATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF ZARAGOZA
AND THE UNIVERSITY OF [REDACTED] FOR JOINT THESIS SUPERVISION**

BY AND BETWEEN

On the one hand, Mr. José Antonio Mayoral Murillo, Chancellor at the University of Zaragoza, whose registered offices are at c/Pedro Cerbuna no. 12 (50009) Zaragoza.

On the other, Mr./Ms. [REDACTED], acting in the name and on behalf of [REDACTED], whose registered offices are at [REDACTED].

Both parties, wherein they are involved, ensure the validity of the representation through which they are acting and have the sufficient and necessary legal capacity to adhere to the present agreement and, as such,

STATE

That the common objective of both institutions is to foster and develop scientific cooperation in the training of researchers and to encourage mobility among the doctoral students at the respective institutions.

AGREE

In accordance with the current laws and regulations in each of the countries and the internal regulations at each university, to sign the present agreement to jointly supervise the doctoral thesis:

Name and surname: <NAME OF DOCTORAL STUDENT>

ID No./Valid passport number: XXXX

Date and place of birth: XXXX

Nationality: XXXX

Doctoral programme: XXXX

Title of doctoral thesis: XXXX

so the aforementioned doctoral thesis may be defended under joint supervision, in accordance with the following

CLAUSES

First: The doctoral student will undertake the doctoral thesis under the supervision and responsibility of the following thesis supervisors:

At the University of Zaragoza,

Mr./Ms. (give Name, Surname, position)

At the University of <university name>

Mr./Ms. (give Name, Surname, position)

These supervisors commit to oversee the doctoral thesis that is the object of the present agreement in a coordinated and joint manner. Should there be a change in thesis supervisor, this should be communicated to the other university and recorded in an addendum which may be signed by the respective deans of the School of Doctoral Programmes, notifying the respective chancellors.

Second: The research work and writing of the doctoral thesis will be undertaken in continuous or alternating stays at the two universities which may not be less than nine months in total in either of the two universities.

The period in which the doctoral thesis is written may not be more than three years; it will be possible to extend this period, and collect the fact in an addendum, after agreement between the parties and in accordance with the regulations in force in each University. The estimated length of the stay at each institution is as follows:

At the University of XXXXXX: Period or X months

At the University of Zaragoza: Period or X months

Third: The doctoral student will enrol in each academic year at the two universities, paying the costs of enrolment at one of them while having leniency at the other.

At the University of <XXXXX>, enrolment for the 20XX-20YY course will be paid and at the University of <XXXXX> the outstanding amount.

[Note: as a general rule in the home University enrolment will be paid for all the courses except one and in the host university enrolment will be paid for the course corresponding mostly with the stay at the institution]

At the University of Zaragoza administrative taxes must be paid every year and the opening and management of proceedings taxes the first year.

The doctoral student will be acknowledged as a student at both universities and will benefit from the services and structures at both of these.

Fourth: The thesis shall be written and defended either in one of the languages at the universities signing this agreement or in the usual language for scientific dissemination in the

area of knowledge to which it pertains. In any case, an abstract and conclusions should be included in the official languages of the universities signing the agreement.

The requirements of repository, advertising and defence of the doctoral thesis shall be those that apply in the respective universities.

Once completed, the thesis will be lodged by the student at both universities. The procedural admission fees will be paid at the university where the thesis is defended and be exonerated at the other university.

Fifth: The thesis may only be defended once and this will be undertaken at the University of

The tribunal before which the thesis will be defended will be designated jointly by the two universities, heeding the regulatory demands of both institutions. It will be composed of XXXX members, all of them PhD holders with recognized experience of which the majority will be outside the universities that sign the agreement.

[Note: When the regulations of the other university require the presence of thesis directors, this circumstance must be specified in the agreement integrating in the tribunal three other members in addition to the directors]

Responsibility for the expenses of the tribunal will lie with the university where the defence takes place and in accordance with their regulations on this matter.

Pursuant to the present agreement, both institutions recognise the validity of the doctoral thesis defended within this framework and commit to expedite the qualification of doctor, in accordance with the legislation in place at the time of the reading of said thesis.

Filing and dissemination of the thesis will be undertaken at the two universities concerned in line with the relevant procedures at each university.

Sixth: The participant entities and researchers will abide by the intellectual and industrial property regulations in both countries.

In the event that, as a result of the activity of the doctoral student, it is expected to obtain results that may be subject to aspects of ownership, management and exploitation of intellectual or industrial property, the participating entities and researchers will initiate negotiations and sign later a specific agreement on the rights of said intellectual or industrial property.

In particular, before the registration or commercialization of any intellectual property is carried out, the owners undertake to reach a separate written agreement that will include at least issues such as exploitation rights, income distribution and publications related to said intellectual property.

Seventh: This agreement shall be valid from the moment of signing through to the doctoral student obtaining the qualification of doctor.

Any modification to this agreement - whether requested by the parties or resulting from regulatory changes - must be ratified in writing by both parties.

