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**AGREEMENT
FOR AN ONLINE GRADUATE MICROPROGRAM
IN APPLIED DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS
BETWEEN
THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORENCE AND THE PARTNERSHIP FOR ECONOMIC POLICY**

Given that cultural and scientific exchange is indispensable to academic institutions to develop their educational and research activities;

Given that, for the above-stated purpose, it is necessary to promote and encourage direct cultural agreements between institutions of higher learning in different countries;

Having verified the mutual interest that the University of Florence (Italy) and the Partnership for Economic Policy Inc. (Kenya) share in establishing an appropriate form of exchange program in the fields of economic policy analysis and other related activities;

In agreement with the laws of the two countries;

In agreement with the Statute of the University of Florence

BETWEEN

the University of Florence, having its head office in FLORENCE (ITALY), Piazza San Marco 4, 50121 Florence, herein represented by the Rector Prof. Alessandra Petrucci who declares that she is duly authorized to act as representative of the University (hereafter referred to "UNIFI")

AND

the Partnership for Economic Policy Inc., a Non-profit International Organization registered in the State of Delaware, U.S.A. and operating in NAIROBI, KENYA, with its headquarters at Duduville Campus, Kasarani Road, Nairobi, P.O. BOX 30772-00100 Nairobi, represented for the purposes of this agreement by Prof. Jane Mariara, its Executive Director, who declares that she is duly authorized to act as representative of the Organization (hereafter referred to as "PEP")

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(hereafter designated individually the “Party” or collectively as the “Parties”)

THE FOLLOWING TERMS OF AGREEMENT ARE STIPULATED

Article 1 - Objective

Both Parties wish to formalize their collaboration in the implementation of an online graduate microprogram in development economics.

Article 2 – Online Graduate Microprogram in Development Economics (OGMDE)

The OGMDE is an advanced training program (*corso di perfezionamento*) including at least three (3) of the following training courses, which can be attended also individually:

- Course 1 - Computable General Equilibrium Modelling
- Course 2 - Non-Experimental Impact Analysis
- Course 3 - Measuring and Alleviating Poverty and Inequality
- Course 4 - Gender Analysis in Economic Policy Research
- Course 5 - Advanced Computable General Equilibrium Modelling
- Course 6 - Experimental Impact Analysis
- Course 7 - Economics of Child Well-being

The list of courses offered will be determined by the PEP. A course can only be offered if a minimum number of PEP participants (fifteen) register for a course.

All the training courses are offered in both French and English, with online course material in English and in French.

The training courses included in the OGMDE are credited as follows:

Title	Period	Hours/credits
1. Computable General Equilibrium Modelling	end-February – end-May	48 hours/6 credits



2. Non-Experimental Impact Analysis	end-February – end-May	48 hours/6 credits
3. Measuring and Alleviating Poverty and Inequality	end-February – end-May	48 hours/6 credits
4. Gender Analysis in Economic Policy Research	end-February – end-May	48 hours/6 credits
5. Advanced Computable General Equilibrium Modelling	end-February – end-May	48 hours/6 credits
6. Experimental Impact Analysis	end-February – end-May	48 hours/6 credits
7. Economics of Child Well-being	end-February – end-May	48 hours/6 credits

Article 3 – UNIFI responsibilities

- a) UNIFI will offer all training courses (three or more) online on its educational platform Moodle.
- b) UNIFI shall offer admission to PEP students to the OGMDE, based on PEP's selection of applicants and upon PEP's coverage of registration tax (16 euros for *marca da bollo* per student). To be considered for admission to the OGMDE, UNIFI shall consider only qualified PEP candidates who have at least an undergraduate degree in economics or related fields. UNIFI may evaluate the curriculum vitae of each candidate.
- c) On successful completion of the advanced program, or at least three training courses, UNIFI (through the *Dipartimento di Scienze per l'Economia e l'Impresa – DISEI*) shall provide PEP students with a Statement of Attendance and Completion stating also the academic credits gained. PEP will bear the cost of mailing the statements (as a reference, 11.85 euros per statement in July 2025). Also, UNIFI will provide PEP students access to their webpage that reports their academic progress.
- d) UNIFI may offer the training courses included in the OGMDE to a maximum of 10 UNIFI students per course at no cost (additional students would be charged the standard rates applied to PEP students, i.e., 650 US\$ per course).

Article 4 – PEP responsibilities

- a) PEP will provide all material for the selected online training courses. This material will be available on the Moodle dedicated website.
- b) PEP will engage and remunerate the instructors of all courses, upon validation of the Department of Economics and Management (DISEI).
- c) PEP will select its students and facilitate their admission to the program by providing UNIFI with all the admission documents as requested by UNIFI.
- d) PEP will support candidates in the process of registering to UNIFI systems.
- e) PEP will help to promote the courses and encourage applicants for self sponsorship.

Article 5 – Coordinators

The implementation of the activities foreseen by the agreement will be promoted, initially, by the following Coordinators, appointed by each Institution:

University of Florence
Prof. Luca Tiberti
Dept. of Economics and Management
Director

Partnership for Economic Policy
Prof. Jane Mariara
Executive

Article 6 – Funding

Each of the Parties commits, through their participating Units (for the University of Florence the Unit is the DISEI), to provide resources to carry out their respective activities stipulated by this agreement.

Article 7– Personal Data Processing

Pursuant to and for all purposes of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (“General Data Protection Regulation – GDPR”) and Legislative Decree No. 196/2003 (“Personal Data Protection Code”), the Parties declare that they act as independent data controllers with regard to the processing of personal data carried out for the



execution of this agreement, all related fulfilments, and the processing activities arising from the implementation of this agreement.

The personal data of the course participants and instructors shall be processed exclusively for the performance of all operations and activities connected with this agreement and in order to comply with legal obligations concerning its management.

The data provided by the Parties shall be processed in accordance with the principles of lawfulness, fairness, transparency, adequacy, relevance and necessity set out in Article 5(1) of the GDPR. Data subjects may also exercise the rights granted under Articles 15 to 22 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679.

The privacy notices pursuant to Article 13 of the GDPR are available at the following link:

<https://www.unifi.it/en/home/privacy-policy>

Article 8 – Intellectual property rights

The Parties remain the sole owners of the materials they create alone. Any joint ownership of rights in any works carried out jointly within the framework of this agreement shall be defined by a contract specific to each new action. The use of registered trademarks and/or names that represent one of the parties is prohibited without the owner's consent.

Article 9 – Duration of the agreement

The present agreement shall enter into force upon signature by both Parties and terminates on July 2029. It is renewable upon written consent of the Parties. Its closure may be anticipated (i.e., before July 2029) after one (in July 2027) or two editions (in July 2028) if the project proves unsustainable.

FOR PEP

FOR UNIFI

Jane Mariara
Executive Director
Date: 27 August 2026

Alessandra Petrucci
Rector
Date: _____