

## Signing of the Declaration of Intent

This document is authorised, approved and signed by the parties:

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Prof. Arch. Carmine Gambardella .....

Place and Date: .....

### Institute of Disaster Mitigation for Urban Cultural Heritage, Ritsumeikan University

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Legal representative: Director, Takeyuki Okubo.....大窪 健之

Place and Date: *Kyoto, Japan - 09/01/2019*

## AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION

Between

**Prof. Arch. Carmine Gambardella**

**UNESCO Chair on Landscape, Cultural Heritage and  
Territorial Governance**

**President and CEO of the BENECON SCaRL**

**Centre of Excellence for Cultural Heritage, Ecology  
and Economy, Institutional partner of**

**Forum UNESCO University and Heritage**

and

**INSTITUTE OF DISASTER MITIGATION FOR  
URBAN CULTURAL HERITAGE,  
RITSUMEIKAN UNIVERSITY**



**BENECON Centre of Excellence of the Campania Region for Cultural Heritage, Ecology and Economy (BENECON), UNESCO Chair on Landscape, Cultural Heritage and Territorial Governance, President and Legal representative Prof. Carmine Gambardella, legal address: Via Costantinopoli 104, 80138 Napoli**

and

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**wish to express their interest**

in establishing a formal collaboration with the purpose of developing joint initiatives that can enhance the pursuit of their institutional *missions*.

## Intention of the parties

**BENECON UNESCO Chair and Institute of Disaster Mitigation for Urban Cultural Heritage, Ritsumeikan University**, fully aware of their different roles and functions, diverse but highly complementary to each other, highlight their interest in looking for synergies and integrations in order to valorise and develop mutual activities as well as show interest in verifying the terms and opportunities to build a successful and continuous collaboration.

**The main interest of BENECON UNESCO Chair** is to make its skills, technological facilities and services available with the purpose of supporting the activities within this partnership in realising pilot projects of interest to the Centre as well as to participate in projects funded by the European Union and other international, national and local institutions in the following areas: analysis, surveying, representation, knowledge and management of the territory.

**The main interest of Institute of Disaster Mitigation for Urban Cultural Heritage, Ritsumeikan University**, being a research university competing in the international arena, is to make its skills, technological facilities and services available to reach scientific, technological and/or art related advanced knowledge, and also to participate in projects funded by the European Union and other international, national and local institutions to build a network capable of combining the worlds of learning and know-how in the research areas of interest.

The formal agreement aims to give prominence as well as draw mutual public attention to its own facilities in order to highlight the importance of this initiative which is being promoted by the two authoritative parties in the areas of mutual interest.

This agreement formally starts upon the signing this document that is voluntary and does not result in any charges and commercial constraints between the parties. In no event shall the two

parties make any commitments or contingencies for and on behalf of the other without formal written permission.

## COMMITMENTS AND INTENTIONS

**BENECON UNESCO Chair and Institute of Disaster Mitigation for Urban Cultural Heritage, Ritsumeikan University**, referring to this declaration of intent, undertake to make their expertise, technological facilities and services available in such manner as to be established on every occasion.

**BENECON UNESCO Chair and Institute of Disaster Mitigation for Urban Cultural Heritage, Ritsumeikan University**, propose to carry out pilot projects through which to use their respective expertise and equipment.

**BENECON UNESCO Chair and Institute of Disaster Mitigation for Urban Cultural Heritage, Ritsumeikan University**, shall try to establish a continuous partnership, though not exclusive, for the preparation and participation in European Union funded projects as well as all other calls for projects in which they will jointly participate.

**BENECON UNESCO Chair and Institute of Disaster Mitigation for Urban Cultural Heritage, Ritsumeikan University**, shall implement any specific activities which will be subject to the availability of funds and the mutual agreement of the institutions.

**BENECON UNESCO Chair and Institute of Disaster Mitigation for Urban Cultural Heritage, Ritsumeikan University**, shall hold a series of bilateral meetings aimed at defining the work programs designed to establish the collaboration in the areas of mutual interest of the Institutions.

**BENECON UNESCO Chair and Institute of Disaster Mitigation for Urban Cultural Heritage, Ritsumeikan University** shall stipulate the **period of agreement which** will be effective from the date of the last signature for an initial period of four (4) years. Thereafter, it will be automatically extended each year, unless either of the institutions provides a written notice to terminate the agreement to the other institution a minimum of six (6) months prior to the expiration date. In the case of termination, any agreement, memorandum, or equivalent thereto, regarding an activity pursuant to this agreement will remain in effect according to their terms.

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