

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE FOREIGN SERVICE INSTITUTE, MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
REPUBLIC OF INDIA
AND
THE TRAINING UNIT OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND
INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION OF THE ITALIAN REPUBLIC**

The Foreign Service Institute, Ministry of External Affairs of the Republic of India and the Training Unit of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Italian Republic (hereinafter referred to as "the Parties") in the spirit of cooperation that has traditionally existed between the two countries have reached the following understanding:

Article 1

The Parties shall cooperate in mutually beneficial areas of activity, which inter alia may include:

- a. Exchange of information of structure and content of training programmes for diplomats;
- b. Identification of experts in mutually agreed areas;

Article 2

The Parties shall promote contacts and exchange of diplomats as trainees or students in their respective training programmes.

Article 3

The Parties will decide the specifics and logistics of every project they undertake together. For this purpose, a protocol laying down the financial terms and conditions of the proposed exchanges will be concluded, if necessary. In any case, the costs for the implementation of this Memorandum will be borne by the Parties in conformity with the respective national legislation and without any additional costs for their ordinary State Budgets.

Article 4

This Memorandum will take effect on the date of its signature and will remain valid for a period of three years. Thereafter, it may automatically be renewed for similar three-year periods at a time, unless terminated by either Party by giving a written notice of 90 days to the other Party prior to the termination of

the current period of validity. The termination of this Memorandum shall not affect ongoing projects.

Article 5

In carrying out the procedures provided for in this Memorandum, the Parties intend to observe their national laws and applicable international law obligations, including, as for Italy, the obligations arising from its membership in the European Union.

Any differences and disputes that may arise from the interpretation or implementation of the present Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled amicably through direct mutual consultations between the Parties.

In witness whereof, the undersigned have signed this Memorandum and affixed their seals.

Done on 30 October 2017 at _____, in two originals in the English language.

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