

PROTOCOL
of the 1st Session of the
Slovenian - Italian Joint Commission on Scientific and Technological
Cooperation

In accordance with the Scientific and Technological Cooperation Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Slovenia and the Government of the Italian Republic, signed in Ljubljana on February 4th, 1998, and based on the Work Programme for Scientific and Technological Cooperation between the Republic of Slovenia and the Italian Republic, signed at Brdo pri Kranju on October 10th 2017, the 1st Session of the Slovenia-Italy Scientific and Technological Cooperation Committee (hereinafter referred to as the Committee) was held in Ljubljana on July 11th 2018.

Mr. Tit Neubauer, Head of the International Cooperation and EU Office, Ministry of Education, Science and Sport of the Republic of Slovenia, headed the Slovenian side of the Committee.

H.E. Ambassador of the Italian Republic to Slovenia, Mr. Paolo Trichilo, headed the Italian side of the Committee.

1. Review of project proposals to the joint call

The Slovenian Research Agency, acting on behalf of the Ministry of Education, Science and Sport received 77 project proposals for joint projects and the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation received 78 project proposals. One (1) project proposal was submitted only to the Italian side. The proposal was, therefore, eliminated from further procedure. The Committee considered 77 projects received by both sides.

The submitted project proposals have been peer-reviewed by both sides by the team of the scientific experts of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation on the Italian side and by the intermittent expert body of the Slovenian Research Agency on the Slovenian side. According to the project priorities and regulations of both sides, the Committee selected the 11 projects, listed in Annex I.

2. Financing of projects

Financing will be granted within the limits of the available annual resources of each Party.

Only the cost of the exchange of researchers will be financed.

For each project 1 short-term (up to 10 days) and 1 long-term stay (up to 30 days) in Italy and 1 short-term (up to 10 days) and 1 long-term stay (up to 30 days) in Slovenia may be financed yearly within the limits of the available annual resources of each Party.

The Italian side will pay the international travel expenses to researchers of the Italian team visiting Slovenia and will provide a contribution for allowances expenses in Italy to visiting Slovenian researchers under the jointly selected projects as follows:

- 93 Euro/day, from day 1 to day 10, up to a maximum of 930 Euro (short-term stay) and
- 18,50 Euro/day, from day 11 to day 30, up to a maximum amount of 1.300 Euro (long-term stay).

The Slovenian side will pay international travel expenses to researchers of the Slovenian team visiting Italy and will provide a contribution for allowances expenses for stays of Italian researchers in Slovenia:

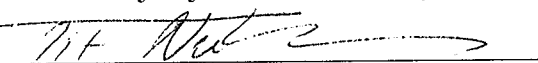
- for short term stays up to 10 days: paid accommodation up to 100€ per day and daily allowance in accordance with the Slovenian regulations on reimbursement of travel expenses (currently 21,39€).
- for long term stays up to 30 days: paid accommodation up to 1.250€ monthly and daily allowance in accordance with the Slovenian regulations on reimbursement of travel expenses (currently 21,39€).

3. Implementation of the projects and future call for proposals

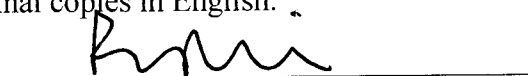
Both sides have agreed to the following time-table:

- the results of the joint call for proposals for the period 2018 – 2020 shall be announced by both sides on 30th July 2018;
- start of the approved projects – 1st September 2018, duration until 31st August 2020;
- the Committee agreed that both sides should announce the next Call for proposals for the period 2020-2022 in the first half of 2020. The decision of the elements of the call will be taken by written procedure by the end of 2019;
- for the Call for proposals for the period 2020 – 2022, early career researchers (up to 5 years after obtaining a PhD) must be part of the research group, proposing a project on the Slovenian side.

Done in Ljubljana on 26th of July 2018 in two original copies in English.



For the Ministry of Education, Science
and Sport of the Republic of Slovenia



For the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
and International Cooperation
of the Italian Republic

First Protocol for Scientific and Technological Cooperation between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Italian Republic and the Ministry of Education, Science and Sport of the Republic of Slovenia 2018 - 2020

ANNEX I

	PRIORITY AREA	TITLE	ITALIAN COORDINATOR	SLOVENIAN COORDINATOR	BUDGET IN SLOVENIA FOR 2 YEARS (IN EUR)
1	Blue Growth	Direct utilisation of biofuels in solid oxide fuel cells for powering onboard auxiliaries and reduce pollution in touristic ports (BlueSOFC)	ARICO' Antonino Salvatore CNR – National Research Council	LIKOZAR Blaž National Institute of Chemistry	7.000
2	Cultural Heritage	Conservation of cultural heritage indoors - the case of Leonardo da Vinci's "Last Supper"	BOLZACCHINI Ezio Giovanni Milano Bicocca University	MOČNIK Griša Jožef Stefan Institute	7.000
3	Cultural Heritage/Physics and Astrophysics	Advanced imaging technologies for the study of works of art	PRATI Silvia Bologna University	JERAJ Robert Ljubljana University	7.000
4	Information and Communication Technology	Augmented Reality and Drone in Archaeology: Smart Fruition and Geolocalized Multimedia Contents	DE PAOLIS Lucio Tommaso Salento University	MAROLT Matija Ljubljana University	7.000
5	Information and Communication Technology	Computational and data visualisation approaches to	DI CAMILLO Barbara Padova University	ZUPAN Blaž Ljubljana University	7.000

		mining of large-scale data in single-cell genomics			
6	Physics and Astrophysics	Violent Transients in the Universe	COVINO Stefano INAF - Italian Institute for Astrphysics - Brera	GOMBOC Andreja University of Nova Gorica	7.000
7	Physics and Astrophysics	The Flavor of the Invisible Universe	D'ERAMO Francesco Padova University	KOŠNIK Nejc Jožef Stefan Institute	7.000
8	Physics and Astrophysics	Probing stellar and galactic evolution in the era of Gaia astrometric mission and large spectroscopic surveys	MUNARI Ulisse INAF - Italian Institute for Astrphysics - Padova	TRAVEN Gregor Ljubljana University	7.000
9	Technologies applied to agriculture, forestry and food safety	Mechanism of KKP lectin targeting biofilm of pathogenic and probiotic bacteria	CESCUTTI Paola Trieste University	KLANČNIK Anja Ljubljana University	7.000
10	Technologies applied to agriculture, forestry and food safety	Spectroscopy and multivariate data analysis for quality control of modified wood (MULTI-SPEC)	COCCHI Marina University of Modena and Reggio	SANDAK Anna Renewable Materials and Healthy Environments Research and Innovation Centre of Excellence (InnoRenew CoE)	7.000
11	Technologies applied to agriculture, forestry and food safety	Photochemical fate and treatment of pharmaceutical contaminants in drinking water	VIONE Davide Vittorio Torino University	KOSJEK Tina Jožef Stefan Institute	7.000