MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE UNIVERSITA POLITECNICA DELLE MARCHE, ITALY
AND
TAIWAN E-LEARNING & DIGITAL ARCHIVES PROGRAM, TAIWAN

The Universita Politecnica Delle Marche and the Taiwan e-Learning & Digital Archives Program, in recognition of common interests shared and as an expression of the desire to strengthen the relationships between the two institutions, hereby agree to enter into a program of academic collaboration and the terms and conditions in this Memorandum of Understanding.

THE PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

This Memorandum is made on 6th January 2010, between The Universita Politecnica Delle Marche and the Taiwan e-Learning & Digital Archives Program. Both parties desire to promote and develop cooperation in research and education and intend to establish and develop an online master’s program regarding celiac disease addressed to doctors with an Italian degree in medicine, biology, chemistry, psychology or human nutrition.

◆ CONTENT OF COLLABORATION FOR A CELIAC DISEASE ONLINE MASTER PROGRAM

1. This program will run from 2011 to 2012, and offer an intensive 12-month master degree. This program may also be renewed for future years.

2. The aforementioned degree will be issued by the The Universita Politecnica Delle Marche. Consequently, the courses will be offered only in the Italian language and reserved to Italian students.
3. The teaching activities will occur almost entirely online, using the 3C platform (ccc.k12.edu.tw) developed by the National Sun Yet-Sen University of Taiwan under the support of the Taiwan e-Learning & Digital Archives Program. The 3C platform is managed and maintained by Prof. Nian-Shing Chen, and he has agreed to provide the 3C platform for free as the contribution of Taiwan’s participation in this new initiative of international collaboration.

4. The director of this master’s program is Prof. Carlo Catassi from the Department of Pediatrics, Università Politecnica delle Marche and the Center for Celiac Research, University of Maryland School of Medicine, Baltimore (USA).

5. Faculty members will include internationally recognized experts in the field of celiac disease.

6. Celiac disease is a frequent disorder characterized by intolerance to the protein component of wheat and other cereals (such as rye or barley) in genetically predisposed individuals. The curriculum will cover the different aspects of celiac disease, such as epidemiology, clinical spectrum, complications, treatment and psycho-social consequences.

◆ TERMINATION

1. Two copies shall be made out of this Memorandum, with each party retaining.

2. The present Memorandum shall come into force on the date of signature by both parties.

3. This Memorandum shall remain in force for a period of two years from the date of signature. Before the termination of this Memorandum, both parties shall review the outcomes of this collaboration. Written recommendations for continuation, termination, or expansion shall be provided to the heads of the
respective institutions, who shall then decide the future course to be taken with respect to this Memorandum.

Signed on behalf of
The Universita Politecnica
Delle Marche

Signed on behalf of
Taiwan e-Learning & Digital Archives
Program

Per : Prof. Ing. Marco Pacetti
Rector
The Universita Politecnica
Delle Marche

January , 2011

Dr. Fan-Sen Wang
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Taiwan e-Learning & Digital Archives
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