

2. Amendment

to the

Agreement on

JÜLICH-GEORGIA Joint Programme for Master and PhD Students

Amendments:

1. The name of the FOUNDATION should be now read as:

LEPL Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation

2. the **article 1 Scope** should be now read as:

The parties agree to implement the Programme in order to further intensify and strengthen the cooperation between Germany and Georgia and provide support to Master and PhD students from Iv. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Georgian Technical University, Ilia State University, Agricultural University of Georgia or any other Georgian university (by mutual consent of JÜLICH and this university) to ensure their internships at JÜLICH¹.

Legal basis:

- Memorandum between the Forschungszentrum Jülich (JÜLICH, Federal Republic of Germany) and the Shota Rustaveli National Science Foundation (SRNSF,

¹ As JÜLICH is a research center and not a university, all Professors employed by JÜLICH must be additionally affiliated at a German university. Therefore, Master/PhD students may undertake an internship at their Supervisor's host university. In case of applying the 'Cotutelle' procedure in order to obtain a PhD, those students are obliged to be enrolled at the University of their Supervisor. To allow the application of the 'Cotutelle' procedure, the Georgian Partner-University must enter into a contract with this specific university in addition.

Georgia) on Scientific Cooperation (June 2015) - Annex 1. The memorandum is valid until 16 June, 2020.

- Letter of Intent between the Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia (MoE) and Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH (JÜLICH) on strategic partnership (2014) - Annex 2.
- Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH (JÜLICH) and Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia (MoE) regarding SMART|Labs signed on 07th of October 2015.

3. The **article 3.3** under **Duration and Validation** should be now read as:

The internship for PhD students is granted for a period up to 3 years with a possible prolongation up to 6 months. The prolongation should be agreed upon between the Foundation and JÜLICH and based on the formal request of the universities/research institutes involved. In case of prolongation, the Foundation shall not be liable for providing any additional funding. The accumulated duration of research stays at JÜLICH must not be shorter than 8 months in each academic year and/or 4 months in each academic semester.

4. The **article 4.1** under **Funding** should be now read as:

Targeted grant funding for the physical persons defined in the articles 2.3.1 and 2.3.2 of this Agreement. Grant installment, totaling 900 € per month for Master students and 1400 € per month for PhD students and includes monthly allowance, health, accident and Personal Liability Insurance;

5. The **article 5.1** under **Application submission procedure** should be now read as:

By introduction of, Iv. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Georgian Technical University, Ilia State University, or any other Georgian university (by mutual consent of JÜLICH and this university), the potential beneficiary of the Programme should submit to the FOUNDATION electronic version of application and its hard copy, in English and in Georgian languages.

6. The **article 6.6** under **Granting Procedures and Reporting** should be now read as:
After finishing the Programme, in 21 days upon their arrival to Georgia, grantees - Master and PhD students, should submit to the Foundation a brief report (the template to be approved by the Foundation) (in English and Georgian) on implemented research. In case of funding the return travels between Georgia and Germany, grantee should submit to the Foundation the financial report (together with respective documents/copies).

Jülich, 10. May 2016

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