

Partnership Agreement

between

Masaryk University

and

Universidade Nova de Lisboa NOVA Medical School

In the framework of the CONSCIOUS II project

The present Partnership Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "PA") is made and entered into by and between

Masarykova univerzita

Zerotinovo nam. 9 601 77 Brno Czech Republic VAT No.: CZ 00216224 represented by prof. MUD

represented by prof. MUDr. Martin Bareš, Ph.D., the Rector hereinafter referred to individually as the "Coordinator"

and

Universidade Nova de Lisboa NOVA Medical School

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Represented by HELENA CANHÃO, Ph.D., Dean of NOVA Medical School

hereinafter referred to individually as the "Co-beneficiary"

The purpose of the Partnership Agreement is to define the organization of the partnership by regulating the rights and obligations of the Coordinator and the Co-beneficiary in order to implement the Erasmus+ Key Action 2 Cooperation Partnership.

The Parties hereby agree as follows:

1. Subject

- 1.1. The Coordinator and the co-beneficiary commit themselves to carryout the work programme covered by this contract, for the project entitled Curriculum Development of Human Clinical Trials for the Next Generation of PhD Students and Early Career Researchers in the Medical, Science, Pharmacy, and Health Professions (CONSCIOUS II), under the ERASMUS+ Programme, Key Action 2-Cooperation Partnerships.
- 1.2. This work programme comes under the Agreement No. 2021-1-CZ01-KA220-HED-000023177 concluded between the Coordinator and the Czech National Agency.



- 1.3. The maximum grant of the project for the contractual period referred to by the Agreement No. 2021-1-CZ01-KA220-HED-000023177 is estimated at 355 644 EUR.
- 1.4. This contract shall regulate relations between the parties, and their respective rights and obligations with regard to their participation in the project **CONSCIOUS II** under the Agreement n° **2021-1-CZ01-KA220-HED-000023177** passed between the **Czech National Agency** and the **Coordinator**.
- 1.5. The subject matter of this contract and the related work programme are detailed in the annexes, which form an integral part of this contract and that each party declares to have read and approved.

2. Duration

- 1.2. The project referred to in Article 1 has a duration of 36 months. It starts on *01-11-2021* and ends on *31-10-2024* at the latest.
- 1.3. This contract enters into validity on the date of signature by the last of both participating parties to the contract and into force upon its publication in the Registry of contracts according to the national law of the Czech Republic and terminates at the moment of payment of the balance of the contract, as mentioned in Article 6.1.
- 1.4. The period of eligibility for the costs starts on 01-11-2021 and finishes on 31-10-2024 at the latest.

3. Obligations of the Coordinator

- 1.1. to take all the steps necessary to prepare for, perform and correctly manage the work programme set out in this contract and its annexes, in accordance with the objectives of the project as set out in the Agreement concluded between the Czech National Agency and the Coordinator;
- 1.2. to send to the Co-beneficiary a copy of the Agreement No. 2021-1-CZ01-KA220-HED-000023177 and its annexes concluded with the National Agency, of the Financial and Contractual Rules, of the various reports, and of any other official document concerning the project;
- 1.3. to notify and provide the co-beneficiary with any amendment made to the Agreement n° 2021-1-CZ01-KA220-HED-000023177 concluded with the Czech National Agency;
- 1.4. to define in conjunction with the Co-beneficiary the role and rights and obligations of the two parties, including those concerning the attribution of the intellectual property rights;
- 1.5. to comply with all the provisions of Agreement No. 2021-1-CZ01-KA220-HED-000023177 binding the Coordinator to the Czech National Agency.

4. Obligations of the Co-beneficiary

- 1.1. to take all the steps necessary to prepare for, perform and correctly manage the work programme set out in this contract and in its annexes, in accordance with the objectives of the project as set out in the Agreement No 2021-1-CZ01-KA220-HED-000023177 concluded between the Czech National Agency and the Coordinator;
- to comply with all the provisions of Agreement No 2021-1-CZ01-KA220-HED-000023177 binding the Coordinator to the Czech National Agency;



- 1.3. to communicate to the Coordinator any information or document required by the latter that is necessary for the management of the project;
- 1.4. to accept responsibility for all information communicated to the Coordinator, including details of costs claimed and, where appropriate, ineligible expenses;
- 1.5. to define in conjunction with the Coordinator the role and rights and obligations of the two parties, including those concerning the attribution of the intellectual property rights.

Financing

1.1. The maximum grant of the co-beneficiary for the period covered by this contract is estimated at 64 710 EUR. The co-beneficiary's detailed budget is described in the annexes to this contract (Annex 1).

6. Payment Arrangements

1.1. The Coordinator commits himself to carrying out payments relating to the subject matter of this contract to the co-beneficiary according to the achievement of the tasks and according to the following schedule:

1.1.1. 1st payment:

An initial advance of Euros **25 884** i.e., 40% of the grant within 30 days of this agreement comes into force and received the initial payment from the National Agency (whichever is the latest).

1.1.2. 2nd payment

The second advance of Euros **25 884** i.e., 40% of the grant within 30 days the coordinator receives a second payment from the National Agency. The payment of the above-mentioned instalment will only be made if the Co-beneficiary demonstrates in the Financial Report, and through supporting documents to have spent at least 70% of the first advanced payment. In case the Co-beneficiary reports and justifies less than 70% of the first payment, a supplementary interim report will be made when 70% of the first instalment is spent.

1.1.3. 3rd and final payment

The balance of up to 20% (of the maximum grant) will be paid once the Co-beneficiary's contractual agreements have been fully met, all the necessary supporting documentation has been received and the National Agency has approved the final report. The Beneficiary reserves the right to withhold the balance and demand a refund of the amounts already paid if the report is presented after the deadline mentioned in article 8 of this contract, i.e., 30/11/2024.

- 1.2. All payments shall be regarded as advances pending explicit approval by the Czech National Agency of the final report *including approval of the eligibility of the costs*, the corresponding cost statement, and the quality of the results of the project.
- 1.3. Payments shall be made in EURO.
- 1.4. The Coordinator may suspend the payment if the appropriate supporting documents have not been produced or if the Co-beneficiary has infringed the provisions of the Agreement.
- 1.5. If any amount is unduly paid to the Co-beneficiary, or if recovery is justified under the terms of the agreement, the Co-beneficiary undertakes to repay the Coordinator the sum in question on the terms and date specified by the Coordinator. If the Co-beneficiary fails to pay by the date



set by the Coordinator, the sum due shall bear interest at the rate applied by the European Central Bank for its main refinancing operations in Euros, plus three and a half points.

7. Bank account



8. Reporting

- 1.1. The Co-beneficiary shall provide the Coordinator with any information and document required for the preparation of the 1st interim report and, where appropriate, with copies of all the necessary supporting documents *completed* and *signed* by the legal representative (or another responsible person for the project) by 10/5/2023 at the latest.
 - 1.2. The Co-beneficiary shall provide the Coordinator with any information and document required for the preparation of the 2nd interim report and, where appropriate, with copies of all the necessary supporting documents completed and signed by the legal representative (or another responsible person for the project) by 10/2/2024 at the latest.
 - 1.3. The Co-beneficiary shall provide the Coordinator with any information and document required for the preparation of an extra interim report in case the eligible cost of the interim report is less than 70%. The Coordinator shall inform Co-beneficiary about this condition without delay.
 - 1.4. The Co-beneficiary shall provide the Coordinator with any information and document required for the preparation of the final report and, where appropriate, with copies of all the necessary supporting documents completed and signed by the legal representative (or another responsible person for the project) by 30/11/2024 at the latest.
 - 1.5. The Co-beneficiary is obliged to fill in the Timesheets and deliver them to the Coordinator in electronically (annex 4) within 10 days after each 3-months project period. Without timesheets, these costs cannot be claimed as eligible. Partners must keep original documents of all supporting staff and must be capable to prove that the wage was paid to each employee.
 - 1.6. The Parties are obliged to keep analytical records of the nature, value, amount, and use of the grant received by the Parties based on which any support originating from the state budget or other state sources and other revenues may be recorded separately from the grant provided in the framework of the Project and which allow for the itemized check of the expenditures at any time.

9. Monitoring and supervision

- 1.1. The Co-beneficiary shall provide without delay the Coordinator with any information that the latter may request from him concerning the carrying out of the work programme covered by this contract.
- 1.2. The Co-beneficiary shall make available to the Coordinator any document making it possible to check that the aforementioned work programme is being or has been carried out.



1.3. The obligations described in Article II 20 (checks and audits) of the agreement No 2021-1-CZ01-KA220-HED-000023177 apply to the Coordinator and Co-beneficiary.

10. Liability

- 1.1. Each contracting party shall release the other from any civil liability in respect of damages resulting from the performance of this Agreement, suffered by itself or by its personnel, to the extent that these damages are not due to the serious or intentional negligence of the other party or its personnel.
 - 1.2. The Co-beneficiary shall protect the Czech National Agency, the Coordinator, and their personnel against any action for damages suffered by third parties, including project personnel, as a result of the performance of this contract, to the extent that these damages are not due to the serious or intentional negligence of the Czech National Agency, the Beneficiary or their personnel.

11. Termination of the contract

- 1.1. The Coordinator may terminate the contract if the Co-beneficiary has inadequately discharged or failed to discharge any of the contractual obligations, insofar as this is not due to force majeure, after notification of the Co-beneficiary by registered letter has remained without effect for one month.
- 1.2. The Co-beneficiary shall immediately notify the Coordinator, supplying all relevant information, of any event likely to prejudice the performance of this contract.

12. Jurisdiction clause

- 1.1. After failing amicable settlement, the matter of dispute shall be resolved by the District Court or Regional Court in accordance with the seat of Masaryk University, and in accordance with the jurisdiction of the court.
 - 1.2. The law applicable to this contract shall be the law of the Czech Republic.

13. Ownership of the results

- 1.1. Each contributor has the ownership rights to the individual project results in the proportions in which they participated in their creation
 - 1.2. The Coordinator grants the Executive Agency the right to make free use of the results of the action provided it does not breach its confidentiality obligations or existing industrial or intellectual property rights.
 - 1.3. The Co-beneficiary is committed to indicate on every document produced within the project for information and or dissemination purpose that the project has been funded by the European Commission in the framework of the Erasmus+ Programme. Also, the EU flag and the Logo of the programme should be added

14. Amendments or additions to the contract

1.1. Amendments to this contract shall be made only by a supplementary Agreement signed on behalf of each of the parties by the signatories to this contract.



The Agreement, consisting was prepared in 2 original copies, fully identical in format and content, which has been read and mutually interpreted and then signed approvingly by the Parties as a document fully reflecting their will and intentions, at the place and on the date indicated below.

Annexes

Annex I Grant Agreement (with annexes)

Annex II Budget for partner

Annex III Submitted project proposal

Annex IV Timesheet template

For the Coordinator: For the Co-beneficiary: Masarykova univerzita Universidade Nova de Lisboa **NOVA Medical School** Prof. MUDr. Martin Bareš, Ph.D. Prof. Helena Canhão, Ph.D. Name of the legal representative Name of the legal representative Rector Dean of NOVA Medical School Position **Position** 05/2022,Lisbon Date and Place Date and Place Signature Signature

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