

UNIVERSITA' DEGLI STUDI DI MESSINA
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CONTRATTI N. 541 / 2026

**MEMORANDUM ON RESEARCH AND STAFF EXCHANGES  
BETWEEN  
UNIVERSITA' DEGLI STUDI DI MESSINA  
AND  
SHIBAURA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY**

In order to implement, in accordance with the general Agreement of Cooperation, a program of faculty exchange between Università degli Studi di Messina, Department of Mathematical and Computer Sciences, Physical Sciences, and Earth Sciences (*University of Messina, Dipartimento di Scienze Matematiche e Informatiche, Scienze Fisiche e Scienze della Terra*), Italy and, Shibauro Institute of Technology (SIT), Japan, the two Universities hereby agree that

1. The parties to the Agreement shall — for a duration to be determined on a case-by-case basis and after mutual agreement — exchange faculty for teaching and/or research visits. Visiting faculty must have a sufficient command of the language of instruction, if they are invited to teach.
2. The Parties to the agreement shall undertake efforts to raise funds from outside sources for the exchange of lecturers and/or researchers.
3. The parties to the Agreement shall inform one another regularly about the curricular programs offered by each, and especially with regard to research seminars, colloquia, conferences, and symposia organized by each. They shall exchange documentation and publications issued from these proceedings.
4. Each faculty exchange participant must submit proof of medical insurance coverage during the exchange period. It is understood that the host university accepts no responsibility or liability for providing health care services or health care insurance for visiting scholars.
5. Exchange faculty shall be responsible for obtaining any necessary visas and for otherwise complying with all immigration laws and regulations of the country of the host university. The host university shall cooperate in such efforts, but shall not have any responsibility to assure the granting of any visas, permits or approvals.
6. Should any faculty collaboration result in any potential for intellectual property, the Parties shall immediately communicate through designated representatives and seek an equitable and fair understanding as to ownership and other property interests that may arise. All such discussions shall at all times strive to preserve a harmonious and continuing relationship between the parties.
7. Both Parties agree that, in the course of implementing this Agreement—including joint research, exchange of faculty, and sharing of technical information—they shall comply with all applicable research transfer laws and regulations, including but not limited to the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act of Japan and relevant laws of Italy and the European Union. In particular, the Parties shall ensure that any transfer of controlled technologies, research transfer results, is conducted in accordance with the necessary procedures, including obtaining required permissions or licenses from the competent

authorities of both Parties, to prevent unauthorized use to third parties.

The Parties further agree to cooperate in good faith to exchange information and take appropriate measures to ensure compliance with such laws and regulations of both Parties throughout the duration of this Agreement.

8. The host university will arrange full access to its university libraries. Other campus facilities will be made available as they are to regular faculty members.
9. This Memorandum shall be effective upon approval from the date of the last signature. Any amendment shall be made in written by the Parties. At the end of the period of 5 years the Memorandum may be renewed in written. However, either university may terminate the agreement by giving six-month notice of such intent in writing, except that visiting scholars already staying at either university under this memorandum will be permitted to complete their teaching and/or research visits under their original conditions.
10. Academic referents of this agreement for SIT is prof. Paolo Mele and for Università degli Studi di Messina is prof. Enza Fazio
11. This Memorandum is signed in two original copies in English, one for each signing Party.

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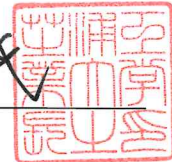
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Prof Giovanna Spatari  
Rector



Dr Jun Yamada  
President



Date: Apr. 23, 2026

Date: Mar. 3, 2026