

PROTOCOL

of Scientific and Technological Co-operation between the Ministry of Science and Technology of the Republic of Croatia and the Ministry of Research and Technology of Romania

Based on the Agreement on Educational, Cultural and Scientific Co-operation between the Government of the Republic of Croatia and the Government of Romania signed at Zagreb, on May 19, 1993. The Ministry of Science and Technology of the Republic of Croatia and the Ministry of Research and Technology of Romania (hereinafter referred to as the "Parties") have agreed as follows:

Article 1

The Parties shall support and develop the co-operation in the field of science and technology between institutions dealing with scientific and technological activities of the two Parties on the basis of equality and mutual benefit, according to the provisions of this Protocol and the existing laws and regulations of each country.

Article 2

The co-operation will cover in particular the following fields:

- a) Joint research and development projects, including exchange of scientists, experts and researchers, as well as exchange of the achieved results.
- b) Organisation and participation to scientific conferences, symposia, courses, workshops and exhibitions.
- c) Exchange of scientific and technological information, documentation, equipment and consumable materials.
- d) Common use of research and development (R&D) facilities and scientific equipment of each of the two Parties, including R&D databases and access to the international networks.
- e) Organisation of joint scientific meetings of mutual interest.
- f) Other forms of scientific and technological co-operation which may be mutually agreed upon.

Article 3

1. The Parties deem necessary to improve the know-how transfer between their countries. The Parties will focus on priorities which will enable them to integrate their activities into the international labour division and to be a world-wide competitive partner. The Parties shall assist each other in efforts to build and establish an information system in the field of science and technology.
2. The Parties shall support, encourage and facilitate the participation of scientists from both countries to international projects of third country and international organisations.

Article 4

1. In order to implement the provisions of this Protocol, a Joint Commission on the scientific and technological co-operation will be established.
2. The Joint Commission will regularly meet every two years, alternatively in the Republic of Croatia and in Romania and will conclude the Executive Programme which will contain conclusions and proposals of the joint sessions. The Joint Commission may meet whenever necessary.
3. The tasks and responsibilities of the Joint Commission are the following:
 - a) to agree upon the co-operation fields.
 - b) to create the favourable conditions for implementation of this Protocol.
 - c) to facilitate and support the implementation of joint projects and other provisions of the Executive Programme.
 - d) to design a strategy on the overall prospective of bilateral scientific and technological co-operation based on achievements and examining new proposals for the development of the co-operation.
 - e) to establish the mutual exchange quotas for the period of Executive Programme.
4. The Joint Commission may elaborate its own rules of procedure, in accordance to the provisions of this Protocol.

Article 5

The co-operation fields agreed upon in the Executive Programme will be executed by the partners of the respective topics, who will conclude joint working plans in order to accomplish the objectives of the joint projects.

Article 6

The expenses of experts, scientists and researchers, resulting from this Protocol will be covered on the following basis: the sending Party will pay the international transportation between the capitals of the two countries, and the receiving Party will pay the accommodation fees, trips within its territory and daily allowance, according to the regulations of each country.

Article 7

Scientific and technological results and any other information deriving from the co-operative activities under this Protocol will only be announced, published or commercially exploited with the consent of both partners and according to the international provisions concerning the intellectual property.

Article 8

With respect to the co-operative activities under this Protocol, each Party shall, in accordance to its laws and regulations, ensure the optimal conditions of the Protocol implementation.

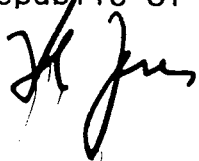
Article 9

1. This Protocol shall come into force from the date of the last notification of its approval through the diplomatic channels, in accordance to the legislation of each country.
2. This Protocol will remain valid for a period of five years and will automatically be extended for a five-year period, unless written notice of termination is given by one of the Parties, at least six months before the expiration date.
3. The termination of this Protocol shall not affect the carrying out of the projects or working plans undertaken under this Protocol and not entirely executed at the time of the termination of this Protocol.

April 19,

Signed at Bucharest on the.....!....., 1994,
in three originals, written in Croatian, Romanian and English,
all texts being equally authentic. In case of doubt, the English
text should prevail.

For the Ministry of Science
and Technology of the
Republic of Croatia



For the Ministry of Research
and Technology of Romania

