

Administrative Committee of Taizhou Medical Hi-tech Zone

C.H.I.CO. Cluster of Health, Innovation and Community

Framework Cooperation Agreement

Taizhou Medical Hi-Tech Zone (hereinafter referred to as “Party A”), a first national medical high-tech zone in China with the largest scale and the perfect industrial chain, having its registered office at No.809 Avenue China Medical City – 225300 Taizhou, Jiangsu, China.

C.H.I.CO. Cluster of Health, Innovation and Community (hereinafter referred to as “Party B”), a Private Not-For-Profit Membership Organization for Life Science and Healthcare sectors, having its registered office at Via di Castel Romano n.100 – 00128 Rome, *Italy*.

In order to promote and support the cooperation between both parties, to reach an effective cooperation relationship and establish a long-term and stable cooperation mechanism, after friendly negotiation between both parties, the two parties herein decided to sign the cooperation agreement as follows:

Article 1

Through the establishment of innovative relationships, both parties jointly formulate international strategies under the support of international, national and local governmental agencies, to promote the cooperation for innovative projects for life science sectors and local economic development, to enhance the global competitiveness and to ensure a sustainable economic growth.

Article 2

The cooperation target is to implement a shared strategy to enhance the economic competitiveness of the two countries, to help SMEs to integrate more easily into the

global value chain and to carry out long-term cooperation with strategic partners in other countries. By combining companies from both countries, to jointly develop innovative solutions and strengthen international economic cooperation.

Article 3

Through the establishment of a common platform to encourage collaboration among the members of both parties focused on research and innovation, technology transfer, industrialization of innovative products and their commercialization.

Based on this framework cooperation agreement, both parties will step up mutual capacity building, give full play to each other's advantages, share international experiences and further develop structures and tools, reinforce trustful relations with other countries, promote the application of international strategies and strengthen the support for life sciences Industry universities, research institutes and professional firms.

Article 4

Both Parties will collaborate together for the following activities:

- promoting trade and investment both in the areas of C.H.I.CO. Castel Romano Tecnopolo Researcher Center (Rome, Lazio Region) and the Bio-Medical Hi-Tech Park China Medical City (Taizhou, Jiangsu Province), in order to cooperate for investment, technology transfer and other areas of mutual interest related to Life Sciences;
- enhancing synergies and cooperation on Smart Health (biotechnology-pharmaceutical, biomedical-medical devices, computer science applied to biomedicine and services of health and social care, health-wellbeing) as well as cross-cutting issues (functional food);
- collaborating on research and development programmes in the field of Life Sciences;
- supporting the SME's to finding of funds, call for bids and other kind of governmental financial support;

- cooperating in to exchange of the staff and researchers between the two Parties to provide advanced scientific programs and training courses;
- make it easier the exchange of knowledge by planning and conducting workshops, seminars, round tables, events;
- implementing of training sessions aimed to jointly developing the research & innovation, to qualify the offer of services and skills in order to support the growth of the socioeconomic system and to integrate the labor, education, vocational training, careers guidance policies;
- facilitating the networking of companies, universities, research institutes, national and local Governmental Bodies to developing projects for R&D, business expertise and related areas.

Both parties shall focus their joint activities in the following directions:

- System pharmaceutical technologies (including, but not limited to):
 - technology development and production of the original pharmaceutical substances;
 - modeling the structure and effects of chemical drugs;
 - computer design of chemical medicines;
 - engineering and production scaling of finished dosage forms;
 - licensing and production of finished dosage forms.
- Application of nanotechnology in healthcare sector (including, but not limited to):
 - antimicrobial coatings;
 - new methods of medicines delivery using synthetic media;
 - medical devices and products research and development;
 - medical products and technologies;
 - healthcare IT technologies;
 - anti-aging and other medical services development;
 - educational projects

Article 5

This Cooperation Agreement is a framework cooperation agreement. Further subsequent agreements and documents concluded in the course of cooperation among both parties shall be deemed as extensions and supplementation to the present Agreement with equivalent legitimate validity. The matters not covered in this Agreement shall be agreed upon in subsequent agreements.

Article 6

Matters uncovered herein and any dispute shall be settled by both parties through friendly negotiations.

Article 7

This Agreement is made in six originals. Each party shall hold three originals respectively. The Agreement shall come into force upon signature and seal of both Parties at date of its last signature.

The Agreement may be amended by written mutual consent of the both Parties.

This Agreement shall remain in force for 4 (four) years. Thereafter this Agreement may, by written mutual consent of Party A, Party B, be extended for another term, by an exchange of letters.

Party A: Administrative Committee of Taizhou Medical Hi-tech Zone

Authorized representative:

Date:



Party B: C.H.I.CO. Cluster of Health, Innovation and Community

Authorized representative: Mr. Fabio Miraglia, President

Date:

A handwritten signature in black ink, likely belonging to Mr. Fabio Miraglia, the President of C.H.I.CO.