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## Student Agreement Erasmus + Scholarship Beneficiaries

### Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree

In

### NeuroData - International Master in Brain Science and Data Science

Bar-Ilan University, Israel, Coordinating Institution of the Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree (EMJMD) in “International Master in Brain Science and Data Science” (NeuroData), represented by Prof. Alon Korngreen

the **Coordinator** on the one part

AND

the **Student**, of the other part

Surname; name \_\_\_\_\_ dd/mm/yyyy \_\_\_\_\_

born in city (country) \_\_\_\_\_ nationality \_\_\_\_\_,

HAVE AGREED to the following terms and conditions:

#### 1. Study Programme

The Student commits him/herself to duly attend on a full time basis the Joint Master Programme, having a legal duration of two (2) academic years, 120 ECTS. The student commits him/herself to follow mobility track assigned to him/her by the admissions committee in the process of acceptance to the programme.

##### 1.1 Mobility Path and attendance rules

- 1<sup>st</sup> year - Bar-Ilan University – 60 ECTS
- Summer between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year - Zagreb University for mandatory summer school
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year - one of other Consortium Partners assigned at the moment of acceptance to the programme - 60 ECTS, Padova University – 62 ECTS

Under the present contract, the Student must attend assiduously and successfully pass all teaching Units (lectures, practical sessions, summer school, informative and official meetings) and final thesis defense. The



Student understands that they shall be excluded from the NeuroData Master:

- in case of non-attendance to the course the Student cannot justify with any medical certification, for which permission has not been granted in advance by NeuroData Local Director;
- if the Student is subject to disciplinary measures leading to his/her exclusion from NeuroData Partner Universities;
- if the Student withdraws from the NeuroData programme, on his/her own decision or by force majeure.

The Student cannot leave the hosting institution before the official end of the semester, as it is communicated by the NeuroData Local Coordinator.

## 1.2 Language Policy

The language of instruction for the Programme is English.

## 1.3 Pre-arrival preparation

The Student's responsibility is to apply for a student visa/residence permit sufficiently in advance and collect the documents required for the visa application for both years one and two, such as health certificates and a certified copy of the diplomas. More information is given in the admission letter from the relevant hosting university.

## 1.4 Evaluation and ECTS and credit requirements

Under the present contract, the Student must attend assiduously and successfully pass all teaching Units (lectures, practical sessions, summer school, informative and official meetings) and final thesis defense. The Student understands that they shall be excluded from the NeuroData Master in case they fail these conditions.

Suppose the NeuroData Academic Committee finds the Student's actual capacity, skills or levels of competence in some crucial areas (linguistic, academic, psychological) not adequate to allow them to continue the joint programme with severe chances of graduation. In that case, it will discuss and agree on ad hoc measures to be taken. If the Student is a scholarship holder, payments shall be suspended, waiting for a final decision.

All ECTS/equivalents acquired during the mobility path will be mutually recognised by the two degree-awarding institutions involved as integral parts of the study programme leading to qualification/degree to be awarded, as long as the student is successful in respective examinations and/or assessments.

Examinations and re-sits are performed at the same partner institution where the Teaching Units have been attended and follow the local calendar, regulations, and assessment methods. ECTS are gained according to local pass/fail rules.



20 ECTS credits equivalents (considering also re-take exam sessions) is the minimum requirement for students to be allowed to continue to their second semester of studies; 45 ECTS credits equivalents (considering also re-take exam sessions) is the minimum requirement for students to be allowed to continue to their third semester of studies; 80 ECTS credits/equivalents (considering also re-take exam sessions) is the minimum requirement for students to be allowed to continue to the fourth semester of studies. For failed course units at the *Bar-Ilan University*, re-take periods following each semester allow for face-to-face re-take opportunities. Re-sits of the failed units taken during the 2nd semester should be completed before the end of August of the first academic year and before undertaking the 2nd year mobility to a partner institution.

If the student fails in more than 24 ECTS/equivalents at the end of the 1st year, s/he will not be able to move to the following host university. However, the Academic Board may evaluate special conditions or circumstances.

Suppose the Student does not obtain 20 ECTS credits at the start of the 2nd semester, 45 ECTS credits at the beginning of the 3rd semester or 80 ECTS credits at the start of the 4th semester. In that case, the Academic Board has the right to revoke Student's admission to the program. In addition, if the Student is a scholarship holder, payments are automatically suspended.

### 1.5 Internship and Thesis rules

Thesis (30-42 ECTS, depending on a partner institution) is carried out under the responsibility of one of the four partner universities, where the student is spending his/her 2<sup>nd</sup> year (host University).

Internship (Research Project) and Thesis are strictly bond to each other. Procedures and consistency assessment will be under the responsibility of the NeuroData program coordinator and will be carried out according to the rules of the host University.

The thesis must be written in English.

- Thesis length: 60-100 pages x 2000ch., plus Annexes (if applicable).
- Format and structure: according to the rules of the host University. Front page: see Local Director
- The Host University will adopt necessary procedures to avoid plagiarism.
- Student has full access to libraries and on-line references of Host University.

The student will be assigned a Supervisor by the host institute according to the thesis scientific topic and the competencies of the teaching staff with the approval of the consortium academic board. The decision will be made when the host university accepts the student.

The student will defend the Thesis at the Consortium Partner University. The student studies during the second year and performs the Thesis. The defense will be evaluated by an ad-hoc Thesis Examination Commission, organized at the university where the student works on the Thesis according to its rules in force. In addition, at least one representative of another Consortium partner university or non-academic partner with expertise in the thesis subject will participate in the examination committee. The Thesis Committee will decide the grade for the Thesis based on writing quality, scientific merit, and fluent presentation.



## 2. Degrees awarded

Upon successful completion of Joint Master Programme, students shall be awarded double degree from Bar-Ilan University and one of the Consortium Partner Universities, among the following degrees:

Bar-Ilan University - Master in Brain Science, Data Science track  
 University of Padova - Master in Cognitive Neuroscience and Clinical Neuropsychology  
 Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam - Master of Neurosciences  
 Lisbon University – Master of Biomedical Engineering  
 Jyväskylä University – Master of Arts from the Faculty of Education and Psychology

## 3. Grading System

The local grading system applies locally. In order to facilitate the understanding and comparison of grades a conversion table will be used (see annex 1).

The final grade will be calculated for each student by weighing examinations results and corresponding ECTS, using the Israeli grading system. Students will eventually be assigned a final grade: Summa cum Laude, Magna cum Laude, and a Grade of merit (A+ to E), based on the common Conversion Table (annex 1).

## 4. Diploma and Diploma Supplement

The student obtains the mentioned double degree Diploma only if s/he has acquired a minimum of 120 ECTS and has no financial obligations pending (tuition fees or other fees due to the NeuroData Consortium). A joint diploma supplement will be delivered according to the Bar-Ilan University specific rules, based upon the European Commission template (<https://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/it/documents/european-skills-passport/diploma-supplement/info-for-necs/templates>).

In addition to this, second-year universities may award their own diploma supplement (following institutional/national/European regulations) when awarding the respective national degree.

The student commits him/herself to report in any communication the attendance to all the partner universities involved in their curriculum.

## 5. Financial management of the scholarship

According to the Grant Agreement, to participate in the NeuroData programme, the student receives a scholarship to the total value of 33,600 € by the European Commission through the Coordinator. Furthermore, the Student commits not to receive any other scholarship or subvention financed by the European Commission under any other programmes combined with the EMJM NeuroData programme.

The scholarship will be paid by bank transfer to the Student's Bank Account. The First instalment shall be transferred upon student arrival and up to 30 days max, after communicating personal Bank Account Details.



The student's monthly allowance will be paid in 24 monthly instalments of 1400 € each.

The scholarship does not create or entitle an employer-employee relationship between the University and the Student and therefore is not subject to direct taxation. Suppose the student does not obtain 20 ECTS credits at the start of the 2nd semester, 45 ECTS credits at the beginning of the 3rd semester or 80 ECTS credits at the start of the 4th semester. In that case, the Academic Board has the right to revoke students' admission to the program.

Any alteration to the present Contract or Annexes must be communicated in writing. The Student must immediately share all modifications to the initial situation with the Institution. Upon mutual agreement of contractual changes, the Institution will issue an addendum to the present contract.

Any deliberate failure on the part of the Student to fulfil the conditions stipulated in the present contract constitutes sufficient reason for action to be taken, including a reimbursement.

Without prejudice to the general consequences laid down in national law applicable in the present contract, the Coordinating Institution reserves the right to cease the effects of the current contract without recourse to any juridical procedure apart from adequate communication to the Student. Failing agreement by both parties, the Israeli courts are designated as the only competent authorities to resolve any legal dispute between the Institution and the Student emerging from the contract. Accordingly, the present agreement will be governed by Israeli law.

The institutions represented in the NeuroData Consortium are exonerated from any responsibility for accidents, illnesses, injuries, losses or damages to persons or goods resulting from or in any way related to the activities that are the object of the present contract. The Student is obliged to accept the necessary insurance pertaining to the activities for the entire study period as procured by the Coordinator.

## 6. Tuition Fees Policy

In case of late graduation, the Student must pay extra Tuition fees in order to complete the programme. The amount due is determined according to institutional policy of each partner university.

The Student \_\_\_\_\_ Signed in\_Ramat Gan\_on\_\_\_\_\_

The Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_ Signed in\_Ramat Gan\_on\_\_\_\_\_



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#### Annex 1 : GRADE CONVERSION TABLE

Assessment	Definition	Portugal	Netherlands	Finland	Croatia	Italy	Israel
Excellent - A	Outstanding performance with only minor errors	18-20	8-10	5	5	30	93-100
Very good - B	Above the average standard but with some errors	16-17,99	8-10	4	4	29-30	84-88
Good - C	Generally sound work with a number of notable errors	14-15,99	7.5-7.9	3	3	27-28	76-83
Satisfactory - D	Fair but with significant shortcomings	12-13,99	7.0-7.4	2	2	24-26	68-72
Admitted - E	Performance meets the minimum criteria	10-11,99	5.5-6.9	1	2	18-23	60-64
Fail - F	Further work is required	< 10	<5.5	0	fail	<18	<60