

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON
INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION
BETWEEN
THE NATIONAL RESEARCH AND INNOVATION
AGENCY OF URUGUAY
AND
WAGENINGEN UNIVERSITY OF THE NETHERLANDS**

A. Participants in the Memorandum

This Memorandum is entered into between the National Research and Innovation Agency of Uruguay (ANII) and Wageningen University.

ANII is the official entity responsible for the implementation of the scholarships.

Wageningen University is a tertiary education and research institution based in Wageningen, the Netherlands.

Both parties accept to be the “participating institutions” in this Memorandum of Understanding.

B. Purpose of the Memorandum

This document represents an agreement between both “participating institutions” aimed at cooperating, participating and following up the implementation of this Memorandum on Cooperation. Its purpose is to promote the training of students in full PhD programs and Sandwich PhD programs offered by Wageningen University in areas of specialization outlined in D.

C. The Cooperation is Envisaged to Operate as Follows:

- 1) Students in Uruguay interested in pursuing a PhD Degree at Wageningen University will seek admission following the usual application procedure, and meeting the standard admissions requirements (including formal English language tests) of Wageningen University.



- 2) Students admitted by Wageningen University to a PhD programme will submit a scholarship application to ANII, following ANII's application procedure and matching requirements of ANII

D. The defined areas of interest under this agreement are:

- Energy, including Renewable Energy
- Animal Sciences
- Agriculture, Livestock and Agro-industrial Production
- Plant Sciences
- Agro technology & Food Sciences
- Health & Nutrition
- Environment and Biodiversity
- Social Sciences (incl. economics)
- Agro Logistics
- Tourism
- Biotechnology
- Nanotechnology
- Other knowledge areas defined by the parties.

E. Intent of Participants:

The intent of this Memorandum is to establish the following commitments for each of the parties subscribing to this Memorandum on International Cooperation:

1. ANII will provide up to 6 PhD scholarships per year for four years PhD program. The 6 scholarships are not reserved to any specific category.
2. ANII will provide a scholarship up to 80 000 USD to full PhD scholarship holders. The total ANII scholarship amount per student will be sufficient to fund PhD fee and to contribute towards subsistence and accommodation, a round trip to Wageningen, health insurance, etc., for the four years. PhD students will need to have funding in place to cover the residual costs for their chosen programme.
3. NAll will provide a scholarship up to 80.000 USD for sandwich PhD. The scholarship will cover the PhD fees and contribute to 2-3 round trips to Wageningen, subsistence



allowance, health insurance, etc. for 18 months. Stays in Uruguay will be financed according to the regulations of the National Scholarship System. PhD students will need to have funding in place to cover the residual costs for their chosen programme.

4. ANII can request information about the academic performance of the scholarship holder, including the student's most recent transcript and the student's academic standing from the student's supervisors, with the written consent of the scholarship holder.
5. Wageningen University will inform ANII when the student has satisfactorily completed his/her programme. Wageningen University will also inform ANII in case a program ends prematurely.
6. Wageningen University will provide prospective Uruguayan PhD scholars with information on the PhD application process and the possible funding through ANII. ANII will provide prospective Uruguayan PhD scholars with information and guidance on the scholarship application process. Both organizations will guide accepted PHD scholars through and during their PhD program.
7. Wageningen University will provide ANII with all the relevant promotional materials and brochures to encourage interest among prospective Uruguayan applicants.
8. ANII will inform Wageningen University of successful applicants by sending the list of Uruguayan applicants selected as beneficiaries of the scholarship provided by ANII.
9. Both institutions will make the necessary financial arrangements for the confirmed scholars.
10. Both institutions will have the obligation to inform the other party of any change in the designated coordinator in charge of this agreement.
11. Scholarship holders will be subject to the rules and regulations of Wageningen University and regulations of the National Scholarship System of ANII.
12. ANII will transfer PhD full tuition fees directly to Wageningen University. The contribution towards living costs, accommodations, health insurance, etc. will be transferred directly to the PhD student.
13. Wageningen University accepts no responsibility for any shortfall in scholarship funds with respect to fees payable to Wageningen University. The scholarship recipient is responsible



for ensuring they have sufficient funds to complete their program or study. Failure to complete the PhD program within the standard four (PhD) years and continued funding to complete along with any health or visa costs, will be the responsibility of the scholarship holder.

14. PhD tuition fees can be found at <http://www.wageningenur.nl/en/Education-Programmes/PhD-Programme/CategoriesTuitionFee.htm>

Fees for scholarship holders will be verified by contact between the designated program coordinators.

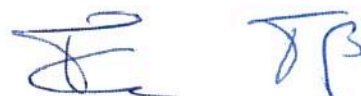
15. Wageningen University will explain how ANII can access e-PhD theses of Uruguayan students upon graduation. The intellectual property rights will be assigned following Wageningen University's usual rules.

F. The designated coordinators for this joint scholarship program are:

For Wageningen University:
Wageningen International
Droevendaalsesteeg 4
6700 HB Wageningen
The Netherlands

For ANII:
C.E.O.
Av. Italia 6201
Montevideo 11500
Uruguay

Both institutions will do their utmost to market and promote the agreement to prospective Uruguayan applicants.



G. Other Activities

ANII and Wageningen University may, annually and in common, agree to implement other programs subject to the available budget and resources of both parties and Uruguay bylaw. This will be done by exchange of Letters of Agreement which will be signed by both parties prior to the initiation of such program.

H. Agreement Modification

Any modification, restriction, broadening or extension of this agreement must be done through mutual consensus in writing and must be formalized by Addendum which will become part of this agreement

I. Solution to Controversies

Any controversy, discrepancy or demand derived from this agreement, including the ones concerning its expiration, nullity, execution, compliance or interpretation shall be settled by Wageningen University and ANII through mutual consultation acting in good faith and in accordance to their common objectives.

J. Other Provisions

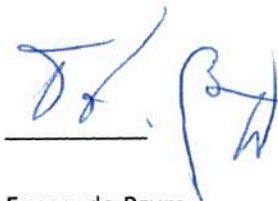
1. This Memorandum has been executed in English.
2. This Memorandum states the intent of participating institutions. Any commitment other than those included herein shall not be binding upon the participating institutions.
3. This Memorandum shall be valid for 5 (five) years from the date of the last signature.
4. Termination of this Memorandum will not affect ongoing PhD programs.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have offered their signatures:

Signed for and on behalf of the National Research and Innovation Agency of Uruguay

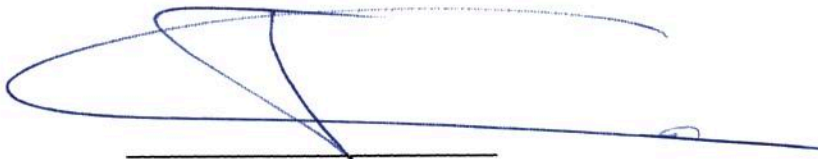
by its duly authorized officer on 4 day of March, 2016.



Fernando Brum
President

Signed for and on behalf of Wageningen University by its duly authorized officer on

..... 06 day of June, 2016.



Prof. Dr. Ir. Arthur (A.P.J.) Mol
Vice President