



DOUBLE DEGREE AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

**POLITECNICO DI TORINO
(ITALY)**

AND

**UNIVERSIDADE DE PERNAMBUCO
(BRASIL)**

Politecnico di Torino, having its registered office at 24 Corso Duca degli Abruzzi, Torino, Italy, represented in this agreement by its Rector, Prof. Francesco Profumo,

and

Universidade de Pernambuco, having its registered office at Av. Agamenon Magalhães S/N, Santo Amaro, represented in this agreement by its Rector, Prof. Carlos Fernando de Araújo Calado

Taking into consideration:

- the existing links between Brazil and Italy in the field of research as well as in training and education;
- the equivalence of their research and educational missions;
- the equivalent dimensions and means for achieving these goals;
- their mutual willingness in further intensifying these ties and especially encouraging the exchanges between European and Brazilian technical universities;

in the framework of the

- Protocol of Intentions between Universidade de Pernambuco and Politecnico di Torino, signed on April 18th, 2007 by Prof. Carlos Fernando de Araújo Calado, Rector of the Universidade de Pernambuco, and Prof. Carlo Naldi, Vice Rector for International Relations of the Politecnico di Torino;
- Protocol of Intentions between the State Government of Pernambuco, the Politecnico di Torino and the FIAT Enterprise in Brazil, signed on May 22nd, 2011 by Dr. Eduardo Campos, Governator of the Estado de Pernambuco, by Prof. Francesco Profumo, Rector of the Politecnico di Torino, and by Dr. Cledorvino Belini, President of FIAT Brasil.

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to complete the above Agreements by entering into this Double Degree Agreement that defines the terms and conditions to obtain a Double Degree

Article 1: Subject of the Agreement

The goal of this agreement is to draw up a programme aimed at providing students with a suitable training and education, which will allow them to enter into the professional world owning a full and international background. This programme of cooperation includes the exchange of students, who will also be able to benefit from a bilingual education and culture, and who will achieve a double degree from two prestigious universities.

The final degrees, which will be issued by the concerned universities with a time difference of maximum 6 (six) months, are respectively the "Laurea Magistrale in Ingegneria" issued by Politecnico di Torino and the "Mestre em Engenharia" issued by Universidade de Pernambuco.

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Article 2: Study Curricula

This agreement is addressed to students enrolled in the Laurea Magistrale in Automotive Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, or Mechatronic Engineering at Politecnico di Torino, and in the Bachelor in Electronic Engineering, Industrial Mechanic Engineering, or Mechanic Mechatronic Engineering at Universidade de Pernambuco.

Article 3: Pre-Enrolment Qualifications

- 3.1 Universidade de Pernambuco students are required to have completed 8 semesters at Universidade de Pernambuco, before starting their studies at Politecnico di Torino.
- 3.2 Politecnico di Torino students are required to be in possess of a Bachelor degree in Automotive Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Mechatronic Engineering or equivalent, and to have achieved at least 30 ECTS in a Master of Science programme at Politecnico di Torino before starting their studies at Universidade de Pernambuco.

Article 4: Double Degree Calendar

- 4.1 Universidade de Pernambuco students will begin their study period abroad in March and the programme will consist of at least three semesters of study at Politecnico di Torino, dissertation and training included.
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The double degree schemes will be as follows:

	I Year		II Year		III Year		IV Year		V Year		VI Year	
	I sem MAR	II sem AUG	I sem MAR	II sem AUG	I sem MAR	II sem AUG	I sem MAR	II sem AUG	I sem MAR	II sem OCT	I sem MAR	II sem AUG
Universidade de Pernambuco students	Universidade de Pernambuco (Bacharelado)								Politecnico di Torino (Master – Bologna model)			UPE (Bacha relado)

	I Year Bachelor		II Year Bachelor		III Year Bachelor		I Year Master		II Year Master		III Year Master
	I sem OCT	II sem MAR	I sem OCT	II sem MAR	I sem OCT	II sem MAR	I sem OCT	II sem MAR	I sem AUG	II sem MAR	I sem OCT
Politecnico di Torino students	Politecnico di Torino						Universidade de Pernambuco				PoliTo

- 4.3 Students of Politecnico di Torino who will be studying in one of the Master programs in Engineering at UPE, in order to obtain their Master degree must take compulsories and elective courses and complete the Master's dissertation.

Article 5: Candidate selection

The selection process will take place in two steps:

- a) The university in which the students are enrolled is responsible for collecting all the candidates' applications (curriculum vitae and certificate of the exams passed during the entire career of their university studies). Candidates will be selected according to the results achieved during their university studies and the specialization path they have chosen. After their arrival at the host university, and especially in case of non-correspondence between the study curricula, candidates will work out a learning agreement with the support of the dedicated services. This learning agreement will be subject to the host university approval.
- b) Candidates files of all qualified students will then be delivered to the host university, when possible together with a merit list. The host university will examine the learning agreement of each candidate and will assess their suitability with respect to the educational and training course they will attend; any repetition and lack of education will be pointed out. The results obtained at the end of the selection process will be communicated to the partner university within one month after the receipt of the documents, in order to allow the students to perfect their language knowledge.

Students shall also comply with all the deadlines set by the host university and provide all the application forms/documents required by the host institution.

Article 6: Number of students

The number of students allowed to enter this DD programme will be defined every year through exchange of letters among the Parties.

The Master of Science in Automotive Engineering at Politecnico di Torino is a limited access programme, therefore only 5 students per year can be admitted. Students failing to be admitted in Automotive Engineering will be enrolled in the Mechanical Engineering programme.

The total number of students accepted in the framework of the joint programme among Politecnico di Torino, Universidade de Pernambuco, Universidade Federal de Pernambuco, State Government of Pernambuco, and FIAT Brasil will also be defined every year, depending on the number of scholarships available.

Article 7: Conditions to obtain the double degree

7.1 Universidade de Pernambuco students:

Universidade de Pernambuco Degree

The Brazilian degree is obtained by successfully completing at least 8 semesters at Universidad de Pernambuco, at least 3 semesters of Laurea Magistrale at Politecnico di Torino, and eventually 1 further semester at Universidade de Pernambuco.

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Politecnico di Torino Degree

The Politecnico di Torino degree is obtained by successfully completing at least 3 semesters of Laurea Magistrale at Politecnico di Torino, whose total student load is at least 90 ECTS, training and dissertation, included. Students must also have completed all the course workload or credits of Engineering of Universidade de Pernambuco.

7.2 Politecnico di Torino students:

Universidade de Pernambuco Degree

The Brazilian Degree is obtained by successfully completing 3 semesters at Universidade de Pernambuco, dissertation and training included. Students must also have completed all the course workload or credits of Laurea Magistrale programme in Engineering at Politecnico di Torino.

Politecnico di Torino Degree

The Politecnico di Torino degree is obtained by successfully completing 3 semesters at Universidad de Pernambuco, and having achieved at least 60 ECTS in a Master of Science program at Politecnico di Torino.

Article 8: Extension of the period of studies

The content of the education programme to be completed abroad must be defined by two tutors, one from the host university and one from the home university.

In case the abroad study programme is partially incomplete, the students will be allowed to extend their stay at the host university.

During the first year of extension, the financial conditions will be the same as those provided for in article n. 12 of the present agreement. After the first year, and for all the following years of extension, students will have to pay tuition fees at the host university.

The host university has the right to interrupt the double degree programme in case of unsatisfactory academic results. The student will then have to return to his/her home university, where the accumulated ECTS credits will be transferred in order to allow him/her to solely achieve the local diploma.

Article 9: Tesi di Laurea Magistrale or Dissertation

The final project (Tesi di Laurea Magistrale at Politecnico di Torino or the Dissertation in one of the Master Engineering Degree courses at Universidade de Pernambuco) must be drawn up in compliance with the rules applied in the host university. Thus it can be prepared in its laboratories, as well as in external services or in other institutions, except those located in the students' country of origin, and with the consent of both Universities. The dissertation has to be written in the local language or in English, under the supervision of one supervisor from the university of origin and one from the host university. The presentation of the dissertation will take place at the host university, preferably in front of the two supervisors, or at least of one representative of the two universities. A video-conference connection can be allowed.

To obtain the diploma at the university of origin, the student will have to simply attach to his/her dissertation a summary in his/her mother language, without having to discuss the entire thesis again.

Upon the student request, he/she may discuss his/her thesis in the university of origin too.

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Article 10: Exchange of Information

Universidade de Pernambuco and Politecnico di Torino will send to their respective coordinators, students reports and all information pertaining to students grades as soon as they are available.

Both universities will consult each other every year and exchange all documentation on courses, seminars, research and other activities related to the exchange.

Article 11: Students obligations

During their stay at the host institution, students will be subject to all its internal rules, and to all legislative and social obligations of the host country.

Article 12: Financial obligations

Students selected to participate in this program will keep on paying tuition fees at their university of origin only, in compliance with local rules.

Being the present Agreement based on a yearly balance principle, up to a difference of 10 students in the balance, each institution will keep the fees paid by its students. In case of a difference superior to 10, the institution sending the exceeding number of students will transfer to the host institution the tuition fees for each student exceeding the difference of 10.

Living and travel expenses, other costs related to academic facilities delivered by external bodies (State, Region, etc.), and possible further costs related to the management of the individual academic files will be charged directly to the students.

The host institution shall provide students hosted in the framework of this program the same services offered to its own students.

Article 13: Coordinators

The coordinators of this agreement will be Prof. Kenia Carvalho Mendes for Universidade de Pernambuco and Prof. Gianluca Piccinini for Politecnico di Torino.

In case any change of coordinator occurs, each Party will inform the other with a written notice.

Article 14: Dispute resolution

Should any doubt or dispute arise from the interpretation or implementation of the present agreement, the Parties will strive to achieve a solution by mutual consent. Should this solution not be possible, the Parties will choose a third person to act as a mediator or judge.

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Article 15: Validity of the agreement

This agreement will enter into force starting from the date of its signature by the two Parties and will be valid until one of the Parties decides to terminate it with a written notice of at least 120 days.

In case the agreement is terminated, students still involved in the activities under way before notification will hold the rights provided by this agreement until the concerned activities are completed.

In case of outstanding issues, the Parties will define the rescission terms, the responsibilities for the termination or the interruption of all concerned activities and of all outstanding issues, while maintaining all activities in progress.

This Agreement is written in English and Portuguese, the English version being the only one having legal value.

Torino, 11/10/2011

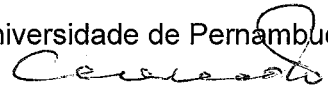
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