

and

the Consortium of Partner Universities jointly delivering the Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Redesigning the Post-Industrial City (RePIC), hereafter referred to as "the RePIC Partner Universities" or "the RePIC Consortium", represented by the Coordinating Institution, Ruhr University Bochum (RUB), Germany.



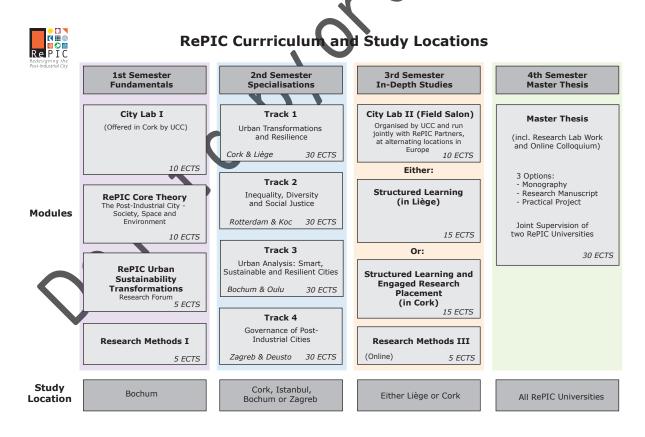
The Parties mentioned above agree that:

1. This Agreement

This Agreement regulates the mutual rights and obligations between the Parties in all that concerns the Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Redesigning the Post-Industrial City.

2. Academic Programme

- (a) Redesigning the Post-Industrial City (RePIC) is a comprehensive full-time Master of Science programme with 120 credit points (ECTS). The Programme is offered in each winter semester (start of studies in October) and has a duration of four semesters spread over two years.
- (b) RePIC consists of:
- Four semesters with 30 credit points (ECTS) each, of which the students spend the first semester as a joint cohort before specialising and being allocated to different tracks in the second semester, to one of two RePIC Partner Universities in the third semester, and to one of the RePICPartner Universities in the fourth (final) semester.
- Two City Labs, one in the first and one in the third semester, with a workload of 10 credit points (ECTS) each, and compulsory participation.
- A multitude of teaching and learning events, including the City Labs, as specified in the RePIC Module and Student Handbooks.



(c) The RePIC Student Journey – Illustration of the mobility pathways (subject to changes):

(d) RePIC focuses on educating future city managers, urban planners, and community designers and similar professionals of tomorrow. Educational resources shall be provided through a highquality curriculum design that draws on the expertise of the RePIC Partner Universities in close cooperation with non-academic stakeholders from their cities/regions through a model of crossborder cooperation making best use of the strengths of each RePIC Partner University. (e) With its clear focus on processes of urban sustainability transformations, the curriculum stresses the importance of cross-cutting issues and themes, encouraged by cross-curricular projects and cross-boundary learning. The **RePIC Key Learning Outcomes** are specified in the RePIC Module Handbook.

3. Degree award

Graduation from RePIC will lead to a joint degree Master of Science Redesigning the Post-Industrial City, awarded by the RePIC Partner Universities.

In addition, the Student will be awarded a Diploma Supplement including reference to the joint nature of RePIC, the details of the student's chosen mobility pathway through the RePIC programme and his/her academic achievements. This Diploma Supplement is designed to enhance recognition and understanding of the joint degree award among employers, universities, and other interested parties.

Independently of the Diploma Supplement, students will receive a Transcript of Records covering all the courses they have completed.

The Partner Universities will apply a transparent scheme for converting marks between universities as laid out in the RePIC Examination Regulations.

4. Student Participation Costs

(a) Two different rates are applied, depending on the origin of the student:

Group A includes students with a nationality of an EU Member State (Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Croatia, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Hungary, Malta, Netherlands, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Finland, Sweden), students with a nationality of member states of the European Free Trade Association EFTA (Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein), and students with a nationality of acceding countries, candidate countries and potential candidate countries for EU membership (North Macedonia, Republic of Turkey, Republic of Serbia). These countries are hereafter called "EU Member States and third countries associated to the RePIC Programme", in short: EU+.

Group B includes students with a nationality of all other countries, also referred to as "Third Countries not associated to the Programme", in short: Third Countries.

For Group A students, RePIC Participation Costs are:	For Group B students, RePIC Participation Costs are:
2.250 EUR per semester,	4.500 EUR per semester,
4.500 EUR per annum,	9.000 EUR per annum,
9,000 EUR for 4 semesters (two years)	18.000 EUR for 4 semesters (two years)

- (b) The Participation Costs are payable upfront except for Erasmus Mundus Scholarship Holders, in semesterly instalments, to the Coordinating Institution. Students not paying the Participation Costs in time may be sanctioned in accordance with the rules of the Coordinating Institution.
- (c) The Partner Universities reserve the right to adapt the amounts of the Participation Costs. New amounts shall not be levied within a cohort, i.e., not during the four semesters in which students are expected to complete the study programme.
- (d) The Participation Costs must be paid directly to the Coordinating Institution that oversees levying the student Participation Costs. Payment modes are determined by the Coordinating Institution.

The Student and the RePIC Consortium hereby agree that the Student belongs to

Group A

Group B

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5. Obligations of the RePIC Partner Universities

The RePIC Partner Universities are obliged to:

- (a) Deliver the Programme in full as described on the RePIC Website and in the RePIC Module and Student Handbooks (subject to regular updates and electronically published on the RePIC Website), in compliance with EACEA requirements, national laws and regulations.
- (b) Provide well-qualified staff and high-quality resources to teach and support the student during the Programme.
- (c) Ensure that the Programme is properly organised and developed.
- (d) Maintain robust quality assurance procedures that incorporate student feedback and external scrutiny.
- (e) Apply procedures and processes for teaching and assessment in a fair, just, and equitable way for all RePIC students.

6. Rights of RePIC Students

While registered at one of the RePIC Partner Universities (a Host University), the Student shall:

- (a) Be supported by the RePIC Local Coordinator who acts as initial contact point and source of advice for queries and concerns at the Host University, whether of academic, logistic, administrative, social or cultural nature
- (b) Have access to all the services that are available to students at the Host University (e.g., language courses, library access, social services internet access, sports facilities) during their stay on its campus.
- (c) The rights and responsibilities of the Student during his/her stay at a Host University shall be the same as those of the other Master students enrolled at that university.
- (d) Each Host University will offer information on local and national administrative and logistical processes, e.g., university enrollment, accommodation (cost of living, finding, and renting accommodation), university facilities, Programme-related travel, visa information, registration with local authorities and residence permits. This information shall be provided to students in the RePIC Student Handbook prior to the start of the edition of the Programme in which they are enrolled, and upon student's request by relevant service units at each Host University, e.g., the International Relations Offices.
- (e) The Student has the right to raise complaints regarding staff of the Host University and the content of the module taught at the Host University in accordance with the complaint procedure of the Host University. All other complaints shall be addressed to the Coordinating Institution.

7. Obligations of RePIC Students

RePIC students will be subjected to the regulations and standards of conduct which are in force at the Hosting University.

The Student is obliged to:

- (a) Attend and actively participate in the Programme (lectures, seminars, teaching and all other learning events and outreach activities, including City Labs, assignments, placements, etc.).
- (b) Follow the agreed mobility pathway: RePIC includes **compulsory physical mobility** for all enrolled students consisting of a minimum of two study periods in two countries, of which at least one must be an EU Member State or Third Country associated to the Erasmus+Programme. These two countries must be different from the country of residence of the student at enrollment stage. Each of the two mandatory study periods must correspond to a workload of at least one academic semester (30 credit point ECTS or equivalent). Compulsory mobility periods cannot be replaced by virtual mobility.
- (c) Uphold professional and academic ethics during the entire duration of studies.
- (d) Commit no fraudulent act, and, in particular, abstain from cheating, falsification or plagiarism of academic work.
- (e) Not abuse or misuse equipment and facilities and not perform any unauthorized access or violation of departmental, school/faculty or university rules.
- (f) Deliver the expected outputs (projects, assignments, papers, etc.) in accordance with the Programme's requirements.
- (g) Achieve the expected performance results to continue participating in the Programme.
- (h) Abide by the student discipline rules and exam regulations of the Host University.
- (i) Abide by the rules and regulations of the Coordinating Institution in relation to academic progression on the Programme.

9. Modification of the RePIC Student Agreement

Any alteration to the present Agreement must be agreed by the RePIC Consortium and the Student in writing.

All alterations to the initial situation of the Student must be immediately communicated in writing by the Student to the Consortium via the RePIC Local Coordinator.

In case of mutual agreement of contractual modifications, the Coordinating Institution will issue addenda to the present Agreement

Without prejudice to the general consequences laid down in national laws applicable in the present Agreement, the RePIC Consortium reserves the right to cease the effects of the present Agreement without recourse to any legal procedure apart from adequate communication in writing to the Student. In this case, arrangements will be put in place to allow a cohort to complete their studies.

Failing agreement by both parts, the German courts are designated as the competent authorities to resolve any legal dispute between the RePIC Consortium and the Student emerging from the Agreement, provided always that issues relating to the interpretation and application of Host University student discipline rules and exam regulations are subject to the jurisdiction of the courts and law of the country where the Host University is situated.

10. Intermission

Postponement of attendance from the Programme or deferrals will only be granted in cases of grave and exceptional circumstances.

Applications for deferrals should be made in advance to the RePIC Academic Study Board and require the support of the Master thesis supervisor or/and the RePIC Local Coordinator.

II. Termination of the Student Agreement

In each semester, the Host University, where a student spends the semester, is responsible for discipline and exams for the duration of attendance. All other issues, including in particular, academic progression and overall programme management, are the responsibility of the Coordinating Institution. Termination of the Student Agreement and expulsion from the Programme will be managed by the Coordinating Institution.

12. Handling of Student's Personal Data

The Student's personal information and documentation will be handled securely and confidentially, in accordance with the Data Privacy Notice attached to this document.

SIGNED AS AGREED BY:

The Student	The EMJM RePIC Coordinator
	on behalf of the RePIC Consortium
Name:	Name:
	Prof. Dr. Thomas Felchoff
Signature:	Signature:
Date:	Date:
Place:	Place: Bochum
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ANNEX

Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Redesigning the Post-Industrial City SCHOLARSHIP CONTRACT RePIC Erasmus Mundus Scholarship Holders

The parties mentioned above agree that:

- 1. The RePIC Consortium awards to the student an Erasmus Mundus Scholarship (hereafter EMJM Scholarship), and the Student accepts it.
- 2. The EMJM Scholarship has a value of EUR 1,400 per month. Ruhr University Bochum as the Coordinating Institution will manage the monthly payment of the scholarship to the Student.
- 3. The EMJM Scholarship is tenable for one year in the first instance, renewable for a second year and subject to satisfactory progress and continued registration as a student in the Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Redesigning the Post-Industrial City.
- 4. The EMJM Scholarship is only offered for full-time study and is not compatible with any renunerated professional activity or any other scholarship of support financed by the European Commission under any other European Community programme.
- 5. The EMJM Scholarship covers:
 - A monthly allowance of EUR 1,400 to cover travel, visa, subsistence, accommodation costs
 - A full tuition fee waiver
 - Health and accident insurance in line with EACEA requirements
- 6. EMJM Scholarship payment and modalities:
 - (a) The EMJM Scholarship will be transferred to the Student's bank account in monthly instalments.
 - (b) The payment is conditioned upon providing a valid personal European bank account nominally assigned to the Student and is subjected to fulfilment of the Student's obligations laid down in the Student Agreement.
- 7. Cessation of the Scholarship:

Payment of the scholarship will cease immediately if the Scholarship Holder withdraws from the ReFIC Programme or fails to comply with the conditions and agreements laid down in this Scholarship Contract and the ReFIC Student Agreement. Measures will be taken to recover unspent funds already allocated to the student.

- 8. The Student agrees that the payment scheme is conditioned to the receipt of the Erasmus Mundus Scholarship funds from the European Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) by the Coordinating Institution.
- 9. The Student recognizes that, according to EACEA regulations, the Coordinating Institution is responsible for the administration and payment of the scholarship. The Student agrees to provide the Coordinating Institution with all the required information for the management and payment of the scholarship, including any required reports and certificates.

- 10. The Student agrees to reimburse any funds that, for the Student's personal liability, should be demanded from him/her by the Coordinating Institution according to the regulations of the Erasmus Mundus Joint Master funding scheme and the EACEA. In particular, the Student agrees to reimburse unspent funds in case of his/her withdrawal or exclusion from the RePIC Programme.
- 11. The Student agrees that the scholarship does not create or entitle an employer-employee relation between the Partner Institutions and the Student and is not subject to direct taxation.

The Student	The EMJM RePIC Coordinator
	on behalf of the RePIC Consortium
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	Prof. Dr. Thomas Feldhoff
Signature:	Signature:
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