

**I.2.14. Acuerdo 14/CG 16-11-18 por el que se aprueba el Acuerdo de Consorcio para un “EIT FOOD Master Course in Food Systems” junto con otras universidades europeas.**

**CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT  
EIT FOOD MASTER COURSE IN FOOD SYSTEMS**

**EIT Food ivzw**, established in Kapeldreef 60, Heverlee, Belgium represented by Maarten van der Kamp, Director of Education, **Coordinating Institution** of the “**Consortium**”

of the **one part**,

**and Universidad Autónoma de Madrid** established in: ADDRESS, Spain,

represented by HIGHEST AUTHORITY,

**and Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich** established in: ADDRESS, Switzerland,

represented by HIGHEST AUTHORITY,

**and Katholieke Universiteit Leuven** established in: ADDRESS, Belgium,

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**and Queen’s University Belfast** established in: ADDRESS, United Kingdom,

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**and Technion – Israel Institute of Technology** established in: ADDRESS, Israel,

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**and University of Helsinki** established in: ADDRESS, Finland,

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**and Universität Hohenheim** established in: ADDRESS, Germany,

represented by HIGHEST AUTHORITY,

**and University of Reading** established in: ADDRESS, United Kingdom,

represented by HIGHEST AUTHORITY,

**and Università degli Studi di Torino** established in: ADDRESS, Italy,

represented by HIGHEST AUTHORITY,

**and University of Warsaw** established in: ADDRESS, Poland,

represented by HIGHEST AUTHORITY,

recognised partner institutions of the “**Consortium**” of the **other part**,

**HAVE AGREED** to the following terms and conditions, including those in the annexes, which form an integral part of this *Consortium Agreement*.

### **Article 1 - Objective of the present Consortium Agreement**

On the basis of the present *Consortium Agreement* the **Consortium** will establish a new MSc programme for the Food sector. Collaboratively, the new programme provides international and inter-organisational exposure and diverse professional and entrepreneurial skills to its students to develop a new generation of entrepreneurs and innovators for the Food sector, and therefore contributes to the achievement of the requirements of the **EIT Food** Framework Partnership Agreement (reference 00419.EIT.2018.I.MM).

### **Article 2 – Scope of the Agreement, entry into force and duration**

§1. The present *Consortium Agreement* shall enter into force after its signature by all parts and has effect as long as the Framework Partnership Agreement is active. It shall be renewable and modifiable by mutual agreement of the Partner institutions. All changes and modifications shall be done in writing and shall be signed by the authorised representatives of each Partner.

§2. All the responsibilities related to the management of the grant allocated to the Consortium by the European Commission are formalised through a contract between the **EIT** and the **Coordinating Institution**: the Framework Partnership Agreement.

§3. The activities to be developed by the **Consortium** are fully described in the present *Consortium Agreement*, in the *Framework Partnership Agreement* and the *Specific Grant Agreement*, as in force from time to time. Each Partner has approved its relative contribution to the realisation of the described activities in compliance with **EIT** programme rules and policies. Any divergence from this *Consortium Agreement* must be approved by all the Partners and, if necessary, must be validated by **EIT**.

§4. The present *Consortium Agreement* describes the financial rules, approved by the Partners and the Coordinating Institution, and summarises the responsibilities of each Partner within the program.

§5. Should a Partner want to leave the agreement before the end of the Framework Partnership Agreement, this Partner shall discuss this with the **Consortium** and shall follow the rules stipulated in the Framework Partnership Agreement. This is not the case if the Partner should leave by force majeure.

### **Article 3 – Scope of the Programme and definitions**

§1. EIT Food ivzw is the **Coordinating Institution** of a Consortium that agreed to organise a Masters Course named Master of Food Systems (**MFS**), part-funded by the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (**EIT**).

§2. The **MSc/MA in Food Systems Consortium** is composed of eleven European Partners:

- [1] EIT Food ivzw, Belgium
- [2] the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, Spain
- [3] the Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich, Switzerland
- [4] the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium
- [5] the Queen's University Belfast, United Kingdom
- [6] the Technion – Israel Institute of Technology, Israel
- [7] the University of Helsinki, Finland
- [8] the Universität Hohenheim, Germany
- [9] the University of Reading, United Kingdom
- [10] the Università degli Studi di Torino, Italy
- [11] the University of Warsaw, Poland

§3. The two-year (120 ECTS) Master of Food Systems is scheduled to deliver its first course in 2019. The **Consortium** will offer five biennial editions (2019-2021; 2020-2022; 2021-2023; 2022-2024; 2023-2025 courses).

§4. The **MFS** will welcome graduate students from any country.

## Article 4 – Background

### Article 4a) General objectives of EIT Education Programmes

§1. **EIT** is a legally autonomous EU body whose mission is to foster innovation in Europe. It achieves this through Knowledge Innovation Communities (KICs), which are consortia of partners from industry, higher education, research, and entrepreneurship. Based on a framework partnership agreement, KICs develop a range of initiatives and programmes which meet the strategic objectives for the sector for which each KIC was set up. **EIT Food ivzw** is the **Coordinating Institution** for the KIC for the food system.

§2. The educational mission of **EIT** is to raise a new breed of entrepreneurs and innovators in Europe. This is done by delivering excellent and relevant education programmes responsive to both business and societal demands, focused on innovation, entrepreneurship, creativity and leadership and based on the *knowledge triangle paradigm*, i.e. the integration of education, research and business/innovation.

### Article 4b) Requirements for EIT educational programmes

§1. The hallmark of EIT educational activities is not only to educate students to have knowledge, but also to know what to do and how to solve real life problems all framed within an entrepreneurial and innovative mind-set. Thematic specialist knowledge should be combined with horizontal skills fostering innovation and entrepreneurship through education and training. Programmes also have a strong focus on creativity, innovation, and entrepreneurship, and also on shaping a sustainable society based on ethics and human values. Collaboration between academic and non-academic representatives (specifically, but not exclusively, from the KICs' partners) is of central interest in development of curriculum and teaching.

§2. To achieve its goals, to implement learning outcomes coherently across the KICs, and to disseminate the experience at a large number of different European universities, the EIT Quality Assurance and Learning Enhancement Model (EIT-QALE) has been developed. This model is based on the learning outcome paradigm as it has been brought forth within the Bologna process. The core of

the model consists of a set of specific quality criteria and Overarching Learning Outcomes (EIT OLOs) addressing these.

§3. The EIT OLOs for Master programmes are defined as follows:

- **Making value judgments and sustainability competencies** (EIT OLO 1)  
The ability to identify short and long term future consequences of plans and decisions from an integrated scientific, ethical and intergenerational perspective and to merge this into a solution-focused approach, moving towards a sustainable society.
- **Entrepreneurship skills and competencies** (EIT OLO 2)  
The ability to translate innovations into feasible business solutions.
- **Creativity skills and competencies** (EIT OLO 3)  
The ability to think beyond boundaries and systematically explore and generate new ideas.
- **Innovation skills and competencies** (EIT OLO 4)  
The ability to use knowledge, ideas and technology to create new or significantly improved products, services, processes, policies, new business models or jobs.
- **Research skills and competencies** (EIT OLO 5)  
The ability to use cutting-edge research methods, processes and techniques towards new venture creation and growth and to apply these also in cross-disciplinary teams and contexts.
- **Intellectual transforming skills and competencies** (EIT OLO 6)  
The ability to transform practical experiences into research problems and challenges.
- **Leadership skills and competencies** (EIT OLO 7)  
The ability of decision-making and leadership, based on a holistic understanding of the contributions of Higher Education, research and business to value creation, in limited sized teams and contexts.

§4. EIT has developed the **EIT Label** for programmes at Master and PhD level as a quality mark for programmes that meet these EIT OLOs. The award of the **EIT label** is based on assessing their “KIC added value”, that is, if the programmes foster a true integration of the knowledge triangle dimensions of research, education and business. The assessment of other aspects (e.g. the official accreditation of degrees to obtain official recognition in a national or international context) is left to national or international quality assurance systems. Consequently, **EIT label** evaluation is complementary to official accreditation processes under the quality assurance agencies of the European quality assurance system for higher education, which is part of the Bologna process.

§4. Specific requirements for the EIT Label are as follows:

- The delivery of the learning involves at least two Universities and there is active input from business.
- All the Bologna requirements (learning outcomes, student-centred teaching and learning, ECTS, Diploma Supplement, European Qualifications Framework, and European Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance) are satisfied, as attested by the relevant competent bodies at international and national levels (QA agencies, recognition bodies, etc.) as well as any other national requirements.
- A number of EIT Label educational characteristics are satisfied, as,
  - robust entrepreneurship education,
  - highly integrated, innovative “learning-by-doing” curriculum,
  - international and cross-organisational mobility - the European dimension and openness to the world,

- outreach strategy and access policy.

#### Article 4c) Master in Food Systems: a summary

§1. Objectives: **EIT Food's** flagship MSc/MA in Food Systems Master Programme aims to prepare students to drive a future transformation of the food system and increase the competitiveness of their future employing companies. It is positioned as an elite programme for students from EU member states and H2020 associated states, who have previously obtained degrees in different disciplinary backgrounds. With personalised study plans it allows for a unique integration of different aspects of the food system making these students a new breed of food entrepreneurs. The programme allows the creation of a personal journey for each student through the selection of a subset of topics from the combined offering of the Consortium partners. The combined set of topics covers all aspects of the Food System:

- Water, energy and soils,
- Primary production,
- Conversion technologies,
- Food processing,
- Logistics and supply chains,
- Information technologies,
- Consumer sciences,
- Health and nutrition,
- Economics and management,
- IP and regulations.

Taken together any single cohort of students graduating from the **MFS** programme will collectively possess an integrated knowledge of the food with individuals retaining depth of skills and knowledge in subsections of the system. Furthermore, each cohort will have practical skills matching the employability criteria of businesses spanning from start-ups to large multinationals.

§2. The Master in Food Systems is an integrated Master Programme designed by the above mentioned ten European Universities with a wide-range leadership in Agricultural Sciences, Biological/Life Sciences, Food Science, Chemistry, Food Safety, Nutrition, and/or Social Sciences.

§3. Contents: The duration of the programme is 2 years. At the beginning of the 1<sup>st</sup> year students accepted onto the MFS Programme by one Partner follow a mandatory Small Private Online Course (7.5 ECTS credits) before registering at any partner university of the Consortium (their Home institution). They also get a detailed instruction on the organisation of the MFS. Students will spend one semester at their Home institution, which will be credited with 22.5 ECTS. The second semester students will spend at a second university of the Consortium (their 1<sup>st</sup> Host institution), which will be credited with 22.5 ECTS. The third semester students will spend at a third university of the Consortium (their 2<sup>nd</sup> Host institution), which will be credited with 22.5 ECTS. The final semester is entirely dedicated to the Master thesis, credited with 30 ECTS, which students will complete at their Home institution. All obtained ECTS will be recognised at any partner university of the **Consortium** where the students enrolled their semesters. The individual mobility path of the students is subject to the approval by his/her supervisor and by **Consortium** coordinators on criteria based on student background and project, consortium institution's supervising capacities and available financial support.

§4. In addition and complementary to the course offering by each Partner university, the **Consortium** will organise a number of **KIC Added Value modules**, which provide learning opportunities for skills

and competences relating to entrepreneurship and innovation. These modules will be spread throughout the curriculum to provide at least 30 ECTS credits.

§5. Organisation: up to a maximum of 150 students are welcomed in the MFS for the first year. In subsequent years this number may be increased depending on demand and unanimous agreement of all **Partners**. Student numbers will be distributed equitably between partner universities, and will also be rotating in an equitable manner so that student numbers remain constant per university.

§6. Students failing to complete a semester, who are intercalating, or failing the course will be removed from the rotational schedule. If this results in empty seats that incur administrative charges for receiving Host Universities, these Partners will be compensated accordingly by the **Consortium**.

§7. A participation fee will be set by the **Consortium**, partly or entirely covering the traditional tuition fees set by universities in accordance with their standard regulations, and partly or entirely covering the cost for KIC Added Value modules. For cohort 2019-2021, universities will apply the traditional tuition fees in accordance with their standard regulations. For each following cohort, the **Consortium** agrees on the level of the participation fee, the latest 18 months before the start of the respective academic year.

§8. Degree-Awarding: The completion of the curriculum is rewarded by a Master Degree detailing both the interdisciplinary and specialised curriculum. The Degree is awarded by the student's Home institution. A Diploma Supplement describing the student curriculum within **MFS** is delivered. Once the **EIT Label** has been awarded to the **MFS**, a second Diploma Supplement will be delivered.

§9. Application: The Masters Course application is open to students having acquired a BSc. (180 ECTS or equivalent) in Agricultural Sciences, Biological/Life Sciences, Food Science, Chemistry, Food Safety, Nutrition, and/or Social Sciences and related disciplines, equivalent to a first or 2.1 degree. Students will only be accepted with proof of proficiency in English, with an average score of at least 6.5 on the IELTS scale, with no component less than 6.0, or a TOEFL score of XX, or equivalent. Candidates will require to submit a written application form and to attend an interview before admission can be considered. In case of oversubscription, the following criteria will be used to select candidates:

- Creativity: has the applicant demonstrated particular aptitude to solving problems in creative ways
- Resource mobilisation: has the applicant demonstrated a particularly successful approach to leveraging resources to achieve certain projects?
- Experience: has the applicant been part of an entrepreneurial venture or a family business, or has s/he been involved in managing a student society or some other organised form of activity (e.g. charity work)?
- Innovation for society: has the applicant demonstrated a particularly aptitude for innovation that addresses societal problems?
- Communication: has the applicant demonstrated particular skill in communicating complex ideas effectively?

An Annex to the present Consortium Agreement will describe the selection procedure and define the constitution of the selection panel.

### Article 4d) Quality indicators

§1. EIT has specified the following quality indicators within the **EIT Label** framework:

- **Quality Indicator 0 – Compulsory requirements**  
All assessment areas of indicator 0 are essential components of EIT labelled programmes and are compulsory requirements to be fulfilled. If not, no EIT labelling is possible. Examples are mobility windows, number of ECTS, Diploma supplement and recognition, application, selection and admission of students.
- **Quality Indicator 1 – Aligned teaching and content coverage**  
Indicator 1 evaluates, in different assessment fields, if the programme sufficiently covers the EIT learning outcomes in relation to the thematic field of the KIC and if it is characterized by aligned and student-centred teaching
- **Quality Indicator 2 – EIT learning environment and facilities**  
Quality Indicator 2 evaluates, in different assessment fields, the study environment aspects such as robust entrepreneurship education, mobility, the European dimension and global openness.
- **Quality Indicator 3 – Results**  
Quality Indicator 3 evaluates in different assessment fields students' creative and entrepreneurial thinking, achieved learning outcomes and retention rates.
- **Quality Indicator 4 – Stakeholder experiences**  
Quality indicator 4 evaluates in different assessment field the stakeholder experiences and opinions from a) students b) alumni c) industry/business. Information is gathered by questionnaires or interviews.

### Article 5 – Responsibilities

#### Article 5a) Coordinating Institution

§1. The **Coordinating Institution** has the financial responsibility of the program.

§2. The **MFS Coordinator** is an individual representing of the **Coordinating Institution**. He or she shall organise the collaboration between Partners in compliance with the Framework Partnership Agreement. He or she is the link between **EIT Food ivzw** and the Partners and shall look after the effective application of the Programme.

§3. The **Coordinating Institution** will provide **EIT** with all the required reports on the project evolution and its financial management, according to the Framework Partnership Agreement.

§4. The **Coordinating Institution** shall manage in particular the following activities:

- General coordination and initiation of **MFS** programme activities in collaboration with the Partners: Convening of the **Steering Committee** and coordination of the decision taking procedure.
- Coordination of the compulsory Mobility arrangements from country to country in collaboration with the Partners.
- Creation of tools shared between the Partners (website, forms, guidelines).

- Payment of European grants to **Consortium** partners to disburse to students involved in the **MFS** programme.
- Coordination of the application for the **EIT Label**.
- Payments of invoices resulting from **MFS** programme general activities when the costs are eligible under the **Coordinating Institution** criteria, reasonable, and fitting with the current budgeting of the **Consortium** allocation.
- Elaboration of reports (administrative and financial) to the **Consortium** for each session of the **MFS** Programme.
- Collection of stakeholder experiences and opinions about the **MFS** Programme from a) students b) alumni c) industry/business.

The terms and schedule of payments will be defined in an Annex to the present Consortium Agreement.

#### **Article 5b) Partners (including the Coordinating Institution)**

**§1.** The Partners shall perform and complete their share of the **MFS** Programme activities in accordance with the requirements set out in the Framework Partnership Agreement. Each Partner shall carry out the work in such a way that no act or omission in relation there to shall constitute, cause, or contribute to any breach or non-compliance by the Coordinating Institution or by other Partner of any of their respective obligations under the Framework Partnership Agreement.

**§2.** The Partners shall provide the **MFS** Coordinator with the information necessary to prepare the reports required by **EIT**. The Partners shall be aware that the payment of the student mobility awards and of the funds allocated to each Partner are subjected to the timely submission of the financial reports by the Partners to the Coordinating Institution, then by the Coordinating Institution to **EIT**. A schedule of reporting responsibilities and payments will be provided in an Annex to the present *Consortium Agreement*.

**§3.** Each Partner shall organise and realise the **MFS** programme activities in its own institution, and specifically:

- The realisation and promotion of the **MFS** academic programme.
- Academic admission and registration for students for whom the university is their Home institution.
- The management of the funds distributed by the **Coordinating Institution**: The financial administration of each Partner shall guarantee the correct use of the funding for the correct destination.
- Regarding the students visiting the Partner as a Host Institution, prior and during their stays:
  - As far as possible, the Host Institution shall make efforts to ensure that the students obtain the required visa and carry out other formalities necessary to facilitate their study. It is the responsibility of the individual student to apply for a visa in time.
  - Supervision of students' status regarding national immigration policy during their stay.
  - Academic admission and registration.
  - Compulsory insurance coverage.
  - Assistance.
  - The Host Institution will assist the visiting students in finding housing in halls of residence or alternative accommodation as may be necessary.
  - If needed, students transportation organisation within the country of the hosting Partner (e.g., airport/university) for compulsory mobility.



§4. For each Partner, a **Partner Coordinator**, named in Annex 1 this *Consortium Agreement*, shall organise and coordinate with his/her collaborator(s) the activities and the organisation of **MFS** programme in the Partner institution. He/she is the link between Partner institution and the **MFS Coordinator**. The Partner Coordinators together with the MFS Coordinator form the **Steering Committee**. Each partner and the MFS Coordinator shall have one (1) vote.

§5. Each partner shall notify the other partners without undue delay in case of subsequent dismissal or replacement of its **Partner Coordinator**. In such case, Annex 1 shall be updated without undue delay.

§6. The Partners are further assigned specific tasks, that they shall manage and supervise in compliance with the **Consortium** decisions:

- **Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Queen’s University Belfast, Technion – Israel Institute of Technology, University of Helsinki, Universität Hohenheim, University of Reading, Università degli Studi di Torino, University of Warsaw:** Programme design and delivery; Quality Assurance (assessment forms, reports); Students and scholars selection process.

§7. The **Quality Assurance** and monitoring of the **MFS** programme is guaranteed by a **Committee of independent experts** appointed by **EIT Food ivzw**. The committee will include representatives of industry and at least one subject expert in Masters programmes in Food Systems. They meet on a regular basis and deliver their feedback to the **Consortium** at least yearly. The scope and terms of reference for this Committee is provided in an Annex to the present *Consortium Agreement*.

#### Article 5c) Associated partners

§1. **Associated Partners** are non-academic partners who contribute to the **MFS** Programme by offering industrial and/or entrepreneurial exposure through projects, internships, industrial challenges, and other forms of learning opportunities in line with EIT’s “Added Value” requirement.

§2. Associated Partners shall organise and realise the industrial exposure activities of the **MFS** programme in close collaboration with **Consortium partners**. Specifically, they will be offer activities where students can achieve

- **Learning by doing.** This can be real-life case studies by industrial partners or entrepreneurial ventures;
- **Non-academic mobility.** Students must complete a period of inter-organizational mobility (for example industrial internship).

#### Article 6 – Adoption of decisions

§1. The **Consortium** shall adopt decisions regarding:

- The management of the **MFS** programme,
- The addition of new items to the programme,
- The modification or addition of new criteria for student selection and mobility pathway in the **Consortium**,
- Proposal for new Partners or Associated Partners entering the **Consortium**,
- Proposals for changes to the *Consortium Agreement*,
- Application to the **EIT Label**.
- Financial plan

§2. Meetings of the Steering Committee shall be held at least quarterly and be convened and chaired by the **MFS Coordinator**. The MFS Coordinator shall send convocations (including agenda) to meetings of the Steering Committee to the Partner Coordinators at least four weeks in advance of the meeting (counting after the date the notification is sent) by mail, or e-mail.

§3. Decisions shall be taken during meetings, video-conferences, or by mean of email, or mail consultation. Selection meeting, Summer-school and Status meeting are favoured appointments for decision-taking.

§4. All eleven Partners of the **Consortium** shall be consulted and vote for decisions taking. Due to the nature of the consultation means, all Partners shall acknowledge receipt of the question submitted to them to the **Coordinating Institution** within four calendar days, and submit their vote to the **Coordinating Institution** within seven calendar days. Should a Partner usual representative fail to acknowledge receipt or fail to be reached within four calendar days, the **Coordinating Institution** shall immediately make every effort to contact a substitute of the representative to vote within seven calendar days. If unable to take a decision by himself/herself, the latter shall resort to §5 of this Article. Should the **Coordinating Institution** fail to contact a substitute, the decision shall be postponed for seven calendar days. If the same Partner fails again to be reached, the decision shall be voted with minimum of six Partners. The Partners shall commit themselves not to block a decision by purposely not acknowledging receipt. Questions shall not be submitted to vote during legal holidays in each country. Decisions regarding the activities of one Partner in particular shall not be voted in its absence.

§5. Each Partner shall have one vote. Decisions shall be taken by a majority of votes, with at least three-fifths (3/5) of the votes represented. In case of equal votes, EIT Food ivzw, as the **Coordinating Institution**, shall have a casting vote.

§6. Decisions on entry of a new Partner shall require a unanimous decision of all of the Partner Coordinators and the approval of the MFS Coordinator.

§7. A Partner shall request to delay the vote by one calendar month to consult with its Institution or to produce documents that may affect the decision.

§8. Since a decision engages the Partner's Institution, the voting Partner representative shall take every precaution to ensure his/her decision is in agreement with his/her collaborators, institution practices, and legal obligations.

§9. A Partner which can demonstrate by legal documents that a decision goes against its administrative procedures or against the Framework Partnership Agreement shall exercise a veto with respect to the corresponding decision or relevant part of the decision. In case of exercise of veto, the Partners shall make every effort to resolve the matter which occasioned the veto to the general satisfaction of all.

§10. On request from a Partner, formal notice, consent or approval shall be given to confirm a decision taking. Such notices shall be signed by an authorised representative of each Partner and shall either be served personally or sent by mail with recorded delivery with receipt acknowledgement.

#### Article 7 - Funding distribution and use

§1. EIT is partially funding the Consortium during the five intakes of the new programme (up to academic year 2023/2025). The funds are paid to the Coordinating Institution, and can be summarised as follows:

- **Development of the MFS Programme;**
- **Management of the MFS Programme;**
- **Student grants**

§2. Private industrial funding is accepted in exchange of publicity at **MFS** main events. Constrained students scholarships by private sponsors for a given project of interest of private industries are welcome, provided it fulfils the conditions of **EIT OLOs**.

#### **Article 8 - Liability**

§1. Each Partner shall be solely liable toward the other Partners and toward third parties for loss, destruction, damage or injury resulting from its own actions in the execution of this *Consortium Agreement*. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Partners' aggregate liability shall be limited to the Partner's share of the total cost of the project, provided such damage was not caused by a wilful act or gross negligence.

§2. Each Partner shall be solely liable toward the **Coordinating Institution** for any breach or non-compliance as described in Article 5b of the present *Consortium Agreement*. If the Coordinating Institution has to pay any damages or penalties to the **EIT** for such breach or non-compliance by a Partner, the **Coordinating Institution** shall be entitled to full reimbursement from the said Partner.

§3. Each Partner shall be fully responsible for the performance of any part of its share of the *Consortium Agreement* and for the requirements of Insurance and Social Security for its personnel, involved herein.

#### **Article 9 - Applicable law and Competent Court**

§1. This *Consortium Agreement* shall in all respect be in compliance with the terms of the related Framework Partnership Agreement and Specific Agreements and be governed by Belgian law. The settlement of any difference or conflict arising from or in connection with this *Consortium Agreement* shall be attempted by an amicable effort from the Partners. Only the Courts of Leuven are competent to decide on the disputes which remain unresolved.

§2. The **MFS** student is bound to the rules and regulations from the Institutes / institutions at which she/he is enrolled.

#### **Signatures and Stamps**

Done in eleven originals in English

**The legal representatives**

For **EIT Food ivzw**:

Date, Stamp and Signature of legal representative:

NAME OF SIGNATORY

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For the **Universidad Autónoma de Madrid**:

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For the **Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich**:

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For the **University of Warsaw**:

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#### **Annex 1 : The steering committee**

For **EIT Food ivzw**:

Date, Stamp and Signature of steering committee representative:

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