AGREEMENT FOR A JOINT RESEARCH DOCTORAL THESIS

The Valahia University of Târgoviște, Carol I Avenue, no. 2, 130024 Târgoviște, Romania represented for the purposes hereof by the rector Assoc.Prof. Dr. Călin-Dinu Oros further to the powers vested in him

AND

the University of Stuttgart; Keplerstraße 7, 70174 Stuttgart, Germany, represented for the purposes hereof by the rector Prof. Dr.-Ing. Wolfram Ressel further to the powers vested in him

For the Valahia University of Târgoviște:
- with regard to the Section 12 of the National Education Law no. 1 of 5.01.2011.
- with regard to Article 29 of the University Charter of 2015;
- with regard to the University Regulations on research doctorates from 23.04.2013;

For the University of Stuttgart:
- with regard to the current joint declaration of HRK on bi-nationally supervised thesis;
- with regard to the University Regulations on research doctorates from 01.09.2011.

united in their desire to contribute to establishing and developing scientific co-operation between Romania and Germany through the mobility of doctoral candidates

agree as follows

First Part - Administrative Matters

Art. 1 – The Valahia University of Târgoviște and the University of Stuttgart (hereinafter referred to as the "Institutions") agree, in accordance with the applicable laws, rules and regulations in force in each of their respective countries and Institutions, to jointly organise a doctoral thesis for the benefit of the following doctoral candidate:

name and surname: Dragoș Defta

born on 22.05.1967 in Romania

enrolled in the research doctorate course in: 2015

Theme of doctoral thesis (preliminary title): The 12th SS Panzer Division “Hitlerjugend”

The principles governing the joint doctoral thesis as well as the relevant administrative procedures and education related matters are established in this agreement.

Art. 2 - The period for researching and writing the thesis shall be three years, commencing from 1.10.2015. Where necessary such term can be prolonged in accordance with the rules in force at both of the Institutions.

Art. 3 - The thesis shall be researched and written in alternating periods (more or less of equal length) at both Institutions. The duration of such periods shall be fixed by agreement between the two thesis supervisors and will be at least a semester at the University of Stuttgart.
Art. 4 - Mr. Dragos Defta shall be registered with both Institutions. The candidate shall pay the normal registration fees to the Valahia University of Targoviste and be exempted from such fees at University of Stuttgart.

Art. 5 - For the entire period required to research and write the thesis, Mr. Dragos Defta shall be entitled to the benefits of the Valahia University of Targoviste health service in accordance with the relevant Community regulations in this regard. The candidate may independently take out personal insurance for any risks over and above those covered by the national health service.

Second Part - Educational Matters

Art. 1 - The candidate shall research and write the thesis under the joint supervision of:
- Prof. Dr. Habil. Silviu-Marian Miloiu (faculty member at the Doctoral School of Economics and Humanities), thesis supervisor at the Valahia University of Targoviste;
- Prof. Dr. Wolfram Pyta (faculty member at the Historical Institute, Department of Modern History), thesis supervisor at University of Stuttgart;

each of whom undertake to fully perform their duties as tutors of the candidate and to evaluate - by means of separate and individual written reports - the doctoral thesis.

The positive assessment of both thesis supervisors shall be a necessary prerequisite for admission to the final examination.

Art. 2 - The one and only oral defence of the thesis shall take place at Valahia University of Targoviste.

Art.3 - The examinations commission shall be appointed by the Rector of Valahia University of Targoviste and shall have an equal number of academics from both countries of the hosting Institutions and shall comprise at least four members, including the two thesis supervisors.

Art. 4 - The thesis shall be written and orally defended in English; the abstract shall be written in Romanian and German and shall be presented orally in that language at the time the thesis itself is being defended. The Teaching Body may authorise the writing of the thesis in English or in another language of the European Union.

Art. 5 - Upon completion of a successful final examination, the candidate will receive the doctoral degree.

The Valahia University of Targoviste will issue the title of Dr. phil.  
The University of Stuttgart will issue the title of Dr. phil.

Each doctoral degree will contain a reference to the fact that the two institutions administered the doctoral procedure jointly.

The doctoral document will entitle the recipient to use either the German or the Romanian form of the doctoral title.

Third Part - Conclusion

Art. 1 - Doctoral candidates shall observe the rules and customs of the host Institution.
Art. 2 – The contracting Institutions, through the offices of their respective thesis supervisors, undertake to notify each other of all the information and documentation useful for the purposes of organising the joint thesis that is the subject matter of this present agreement.

Art. 3 – The presentation, deposit and reproduction of the thesis shall be done in each and every country in accordance with the applicable regulations in force. The protection of the subject matter of the thesis and likewise the publication, exploitation and protection of the results obtained by the candidate's research in the contracting Institutions shall be subject to the applicable law in force and guaranteed in compliance with the specific procedures in this regard of each of the countries involved in the joint thesis.

If requested, the provisions in connection with intellectual property rights may be agreed in specific protocols or documents.

Art. 4 – This agreement shall be effective as and from the date of its execution by the authorised representative of each contracting Institution and shall be valid until the end of the academic year during which the thesis or study will be orally defended.

In the event that the candidate does not register in one or other of the contracting Institutions, renounces in writing or is not authorised to continue researching and writing the thesis by virtue of a decision made by one of the two thesis supervisors, the contracting Institutions shall jointly and without delay terminate this agreement.

Art. 5 – This agreement is drawn up in three originals in English, which have binding legal force.

TÂRGOVIŞTE, 15.01.2016
For Valahia University of Târgoviște
THE RECTOR
CONF UNIV DR. CĂLIN OPEŞTEANU

STUTTGART, 04.03.2016
For University of Stuttgart
THE RECTOR

The Director of the Council for University Doctoral Studies
PROF. UNIV. DR. MARIUS PETREŞCU

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The Thesis Supervisor
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