STUDENT AGREEMENT
for the Erasmus Mundus Joint Master (EMJM) in Global Environment and Development (MERGED) 2025-27

The MERGED coordinating institution, University of Copenhagen, represented by Professor Carsten Smith-Hall,

on behalf of the MERGED Consortium formed by the following Partner Institutions: University of Copenhagen (UCPH), Denmark; University of Warsaw (UW), Poland; University of Milan (UMIL), Italy

and the student

First name:
Last name:

agree on the following terms and conditions:

1. General provisions

1.1. The Partner Institutions will endeavour to provide the student with teaching and instruction, supervision, assessment, and support services of a professional standard.
1.2. Relevant information concerning the structure and organisation of MERGED is available via the MERGED website: https://merged.info/
1.3. The official enrolment date of the MERGED Erasmus Mundus student is 1 September 2025.
1.4. The student will obtain assistance from relevant administrative units of Partner Institutions (Study Administration, International Office, Career Centre, etc.) with general administrative formalities regarding visa and residence permit, accommodation, admission and enrolment, course registration, examinations, registration with local authorities, etc.
1.5. During the two-year programme (120 ECTS), the MERGED student must be formally enrolled at two different Partner Institutions for one academic year (60 ECTS) each.
1.6. The country location of the two Partner Institutions must be different from the country of residence of the student at application stage.
1.7. Local rules and regulations of the Partner Institution at which the student is enrolled and accumulating ECTS apply to courses and modules that are followed, grading of courses and modules, reexams, consultation and appeals of graded work, etc.
1.8. The student commits to behave in a responsible and ethical manner during their studies. They will commit no fraudulent act (such as, but not limited to, plagiarism of (academic) work, cheating, falsification). They furthermore declare not to misuse or abuse the access that is granted as part of MERGED to facilities, equipment, and installations, etc. Breach of this commitment on the part of the student will be treated by the relevant local and MERGED governing bodies and may cause the exclusion of the student from the MERGED programme.
1.9. The student is expected to be present at the first- and second-year institutions, participate in teaching, and contribute to the study environment. Teaching is done through physical

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presence, not online (unless explicitly stated in specific course descriptions or by the university).

1.10. Upon completion of the MERGED programme (120 ECTS), the student will receive a Double Degree: a degree from each of the Partner Institutions at which they have completed one full year (60 ECTS) of MERGED studies in accordance with both the applicable local and general MERGED rules and regulations.

1.11. Depending on the pathway (mobility-track) followed during the MERGED programme, the student can obtain the following degrees issued in accordance with local regulations:

- UCPH: Master of Science (MSc) in Global Environment and Development
- UW: Magister in Global Environment and Development
- UMIL: Laurea Magistrale in Global Environment and Development.

1.12. The MERGED Consortium is exonerated from any responsibility for accidents, illnesses, injuries, issues related to delays in visa/residence permit application procedures, losses or damages to persons or goods resulting from or in any way related to the activities that are object of the present contract.

2. Survey, evaluation, and association

2.1. The MERGED Erasmus Mundus student is expected to participate in MERGED programme surveys and evaluations and MERGED-specific alumni communication as well as cooperate with Erasmus+ Erasmus Mundus Joint Master (EMJM) surveys from the European Union's Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA).

2.2. The MERGED Erasmus Mundus student is encouraged to become a member of the *Erasmus Mundus Students and Alumni Association (EMA)* http://www.em-a.eu/.

3. Insurance coverage

3.1. The MERGED Consortium will facilitate insurance coverage for the student in accordance with Erasmus Mundus requirements set by the European Union's Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA).

3.2. The insurance provider in use is DR-WALTER. Coverage starts 2 months maximum before the registered start date and ends 3 months maximum after the registered end of the programme. Please note that coverage during these "grace periods" are valid only in the country location of the partner institution where you respectively start and end the programme.

If studies are interrupted during the nominal two-year duration (24 months) of the programme, the insurance will be suspended until studies are resumed. Please note, in case of illnesses occurring during the interruption, these are considered pre-existing illnesses, and not subject to coverage upon a new registration being initiated when studies are resumed.

4. Modification of the Student Agreement and dispute resolution conditions

4.1. Any alteration to the present Student Agreement must be communicated in writing.

4.2. In case of complaint, the student may appeal to the MERGED Consortium Committee who will consider the issue and will solve it within a month. However, for a specific complaint about a specific service or facility provided by a Partner Institution, the student shall invoke the complaint procedure of that institution.

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4.3. Without prejudice to the general consequences laid down in national law applicable in the present Student Agreement, the MERGED Consortium reserves the right to cease the effects of the present agreement, without recourse to any juridical procedure apart from adequate communication to the student.

5. Applicable to MERGED Erasmus Mundus scholarship holders

5.1. The start date of the MERGED Erasmus Mundus scholarship is 1 September 2025.
5.2. The MERGED scholarship holder declares not to have already benefited from a previous Erasmus Mundus scholarship.
5.3. The MERGED Erasmus Mundus scholarship amounts to a maximum of EURO 1,400 per month.
5.4. The MERGED Erasmus Mundus scholarship is allocated by EU on a pro-rata basis, hence is calculated monthly for up to 24 months based on the actual number of days the scholarship holder is formally enrolled in the programme.
5.5. In case of interruption of enrolment, a given monthly scholarship allocation will be accordingly reduced based on the pro rata calculation.
5.6. The MERGED Erasmus Mundus scholarship holder is obligated to inform the MERGED administration (merged-science@adm.ku.dk) of any interruption in advance of or at the latest by its entry into force – for example due to formal withdrawal from the programme or in case of approved maternity leave, sick-leave or similar formal absentee from the programme.
5.7. Upon arrival at a Partner Institution, each scholarship holder is required to inform the MERGED administration of changes to their address, tax identification number and bank account. The scholarship funds will be transferred to this account.
5.8. If a change occurs in the MERGED Erasmus Mundus scholarship holders bank account details, he/she is responsible for promptly communicating any change of bank details to the MERGED administration (merged-science@adm.ku.dk).
5.9. The first payment of the MERGED Erasmus Mundus scholarship is transferred by the MERGED administration once the scholarship holder has informed the MERGED administration (merged-science@adm.ku.dk) of the relevant bank details and has verified their presence in person. The scholarship is expected to start being available by the end of September.
5.10. The MERGED Erasmus Mundus Scholarship is transferred monthly hereafter and is expected to be available on the last bank day of the month.
5.11. The MERGED Erasmus Mundus Programme cannot take any responsibility for delays in bank transfers caused by the bank's internal procedures and regulations.
5.12. MERGED Erasmus Mundus scholarship payments will cease after the nominal two-year duration (24 months) of the MERGED programme or in case of de-registration from the MERGED programme.
5.13. The MERGED Erasmus Mundus scholarship holder commits to reimburse the MERGED Consortium for any scholarship funds received which exceed the period of enrolment in the MERGED programme (e.g., if the scholarship recipient has received the monthly scholarship payment for November in the last week of October and withdrawn per 1 November).
5.14. The MERGED Erasmus Mundus scholarship holder is obliged not to receive any other scholarship or subvention financed by the European Union under other Community programs.

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By signing this Agreement, I declare that I have read, understood, and accept the conditions laid down in the agreement and that I inform the MERGED administration (merged-science@adm.ku.dk) in case of not meeting or not being able to meet the requirements as they are outlined in this agreement.

SIGNED AS AGREED BY

The MERGED coordinating institution represented by Professor Carsten Smith-Hall on behalf of the MERGED Consortium

and the student,

Date:	Date:
Place: Copenhagen, Denmark	Place:
Signature	Signature

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