

STUDENT AGREEMENT

RESOUND

Erasmus Mundus Joint Master in Sound

The Consortium of RESOUND Erasmus Mundus Joint Degree in Sound formed by the Institute of Art, Design + Technology (IADT) in Dublin, Lusófona University (UL) in Lisbon and the Lithuanian Academy of Music and Theatre (LMTA) in Vilnius here represented by Barry Dignam, Co-ordinator of the Consortium, hereinafter referred to as "**the Consortium**"

and

Student's name: Date of birth: Place of birth: Citizenship: Passport number:

Hereinafter referred to as "the Student"

Agree on this contract under the following terms and conditions:

General conditions:

- 1. The Student commits themself to attend the academic programme of ReSound Erasmus Mundus Joint MA in Sound, starting in September 2025 having a duration of 2 academic years, 4 semesters, and offering 120 ECTS over 22 months.
- 2. The student declares to have met all necessary mandatory requirements, which allows their enrolment on this academic programme, particularly that they hold a Bachelor (or equivalent) degree and that they meet the language requirements before the starting of the programme.
- **3.** The universities within the consortium will endeavour their best to provide the Student with instruction, supervision, assessment and academic support, be it live or online, and assist on the mandatory mobility. Relevant information concerning the structure and organisation of the Master is published on ReSound's website (**www.resound-ma.eu**) and is given to each student in each semester.
- 4. Students must complete their studies at the end of the 2 (two) years and all curricular units as the table below, and within the academic calendar provided by the consortium. Students, who fail a study unit and students willing to improve their grade, will have the opportunity to retake before this timeframe, following the rules that the university who is offering the

module has in place. The mark obtained on the second examination session will replace the one of the first take. If a student fails their master thesis, ReSound Academic Board will define a new date in the timeframe that must not go beyond the 2 (two) years since their enrolment. If the student sill fails to deliver or does not pass, in order to graduate, the student will have to retake the individual Thesis unit again on the following academic year and pay the corresponding tuition fee.

1ST SEMESTER	
IADT - all together	ECTS
Sound Psychology	5
Acoustics & Psychoacoustics	5
Synthesis & Sampling	5
Interactive Systems	5
Audio and Music Production	10
2ND SEMESTER	
UL – All together	ECTS
Sound Ecosystems	5
Interdisciplinary Project Incubation	5
Sound/Music Interface	5
Film Sound Theory: History, Aesthetics & Subversion	5
Film Audio: Post-production tools	10
3RD SEMESTER	ECTS
Aalto – All together	
Sound and Environment	5
Film Sound: Integrative methods and practice	10
Sound Concepts	5
Sound Design and Immersion	5
Thesis Preparation	5
4TH SEMESTER	ECTS

IADT, UL or Aalto	
Thesis	30

- 5. The ReSound MA joint diploma supplement will be given to a student who has at least a pass at all course units of the 4 semesters. Exam conditions (oral, written, individual report, etc.) are decided individually for each course unit. A grade is given per course unit under the responsibility of the leading teacher, except for the thesis unit in the 4th semester which is graded by a committee composed of representatives from all the schools. The student has the possibility to view their exam papers / assessments if necessary and must address the Professor in charge of the concerned course. All types of examination are carried out in the institution in which the student is studying. If necessary, the student may review their exam / assessment papers and feedback remotely. Each institution will keep exam related material for at least one year after the completion of the Master programme. After this period this material will be discarded following each institutional data retention policy in force.
- 6. The study mobility is defined by the student's fields of expertise. Class will all start the first semester at IADT in Dublin, on the second semester physical classes take place in UL, the third at LMTA. In the fourth semester students will be divided between the 3 schools of the consortium, accordingly with the nature and needs of the student's thesis project. This will be a decision taken by the Academic Board by the end of the second semester, who will immediately inform the students. It is compulsory that the student take the mobility as decided by the Academic Board and any change to it must be very well explained and documented. It is also a mandatory rule that the student develops their academic works with the team that the Academic Board have decided upon. By declining that, with no demonstrated reasons, the student may fail to progress their work and therefore fail the course.
- 7. In each of the Consortium Schools the Student will find staff to assist in any difficulty, be it academic, logistic or administrative, social or cultural, and should always consider the Consortium Coordinator and Course directors for guidance during academic period.
- 8. The Student commits to act with ethics during their studies. He/she will not commit any fraudulent act, and will especially avoid cheating, falsification or plagiarism of any academic work. Moreover, they will not abuse or misuse the access to equipment and installations and will not perform any unauthorised access or violation of departmental, school or university rules. Any incident of this nature will be

investigated by the Consortium and may cause the exclusion of the student from the ReSound Master Course.

- **9.** Under This contract, the Student is obliged:
- **10.** to attend assiduously the programme with the objective of passing and fulfilling all academic work. All classes are mandatory, and absenteeism can lead to a fail or, loss of the Erasmus Mundus scholarship in the case of scholarship holders.
- **11.** EMJM scholarship holders cannot benefit from another EU funded scholarship scheme to follow the same EMJM course.
- **12.** To give written and verbal feedback and evaluation on ReSound's Academic programme, by completing all surveys and questionnaires given by the consortium each semester.
- **13.** To apply for all necessary student visas to enter any of the countries mandatory for their mobility within the necessary timeframe; The consortium will provide supporting documentation and contact information but will not be held accountable if the student does not comply with the necessary requirements solicited by the visa entities. By not having a visa in the necessary timeframe, the student may be absent from classes and therefore be subject to the penalties referred in a).
- 14. Join in to the Erasmus Mundus Students and Alumni Association (EMA, see http://www.em-a.eu/)
- **15.** In case of any complaint regarding academic issues, the Student should address to the course director in the school where the issue occurs. The course director will consider the issue and will solve it as soon as possible. If needed, the issue will be taken to an Academic Board meeting. If the complaint relates to the overall management of the Erasmus Mundus programme and rules, the complaint should be referred directly to the Consortium Coordinator.
- **16.** All student appeals should be processed and resolved in the institution at which the student receives the grade using that local appeals process.
- **17.** Tuition fee conditions:

a. Tuition fee

The tuition fee is EUR 7,500/year i.e. EUR 15,000 for the whole master course.

The tuition fee covers the cost of education; full medical insurance; use of libraries, equipment and Internet in each one of the consortium schools. <u>It does not cover</u> <u>accommodation or living costs</u>.

Erasmus Mundus scholarship holders are not required to pay any fees for a first sitting.

This tuition fee is to be paid in instalments:

For visa-requiring students – 7,500 student fee paid in advance of 1 June or in advance of submitting your visa application (if your offer is received after 1 June). The balance must be paid by 1 June before the second year commences.

Non visa-required students – minimum of 3,750 tuition fee within 30 days of receiving offer notification, or by date specified on offer notification (for offers made after 1 June); 3,750 to be paid on or before 1st September in advance of study. 3,750 the following June 1 and the final 3,750 by September 1 in advance of year 2.

Any student who has payment in arrears to any of the three host academies is not entitled to begin the next semester until paid.

Upon special and well-justified requests, instalments can be further divided.

Installation and travel costs between higher education institutions and the cost of travel between locations of study shall be covered by the students.

- **18.** The Student will be provided with health insurance during the whole period of the studies provided by AON International Insurance and a certificate is given to the student when they register at IADT. Certificate is valid until the date indicated on the policy and is renewed for the total duration of the academic activities This insurance policy covers all European Minimum Requirements:
 - Medical Expenses, among which medical repatriation and assistance;
 - Accidents, among which accidental death and permanent invalidity caused by an accident;
 - Extra Costs, among which extra travel costs by the insured on being recalled to the country of origin;
 - Third party liability;
 - Assistance services, among which legal assistance;
 - Personal possessions, among which household contents and electronics.

Students eligible for a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) shuold apply for and carry the card to each location.

- **19.** The ReSound Consortium shall be exonerated from any liability for accidents, illnesses, injuries, losses, or damages to persons or property arising from, or in any way connected to, the activities covered by this contract.
- **20.** If a student without an Erasmus scholarship withdraws—either voluntarily or due to force majeure—they understand that they will be excluded from the ReSound Erasmus Mundus Master Course. Upon exmatriculation, the student will not be entitled to a refund of any

tuition fees already paid. However, the student may request to defer their place to the next intake; such a request will be subject to the decision of the Academic Board.

Modification of the Contract and dispute resolution conditions

- **21.** Any amendments to this contract must be communicated in writing. The Student is obliged to promptly inform the ReSound Consortium of any changes to their original circumstances. Upon mutual agreement of such modifications, the ReSound Consortium will issue a formal addendum to this contract.
- **22.** Without prejudice to the general legal consequences provided for under the applicable national law, the ReSound Consortium reserves the right to terminate this contract without the need for judicial proceedings, provided that appropriate notice is given to the Student. In the event of a dispute that cannot be resolved by mutual agreement, the Irish courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction to adjudicate any legal matters arising from this contract. This contract shall be governed by Irish law.

The signatories declare that they have read and accept the conditions laid down in this contract.

SIGNED AS AGREED

Barry Dignam

Representing the Consortium

Signature Date: Place: The student,

Signature

Date: Place: