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CULTURAL AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF IRELAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ITALIAN REPUBLIC

The Government of Ireland and the Government of the Italian Republic, desiring to strengthen the friendly relations between their two countries and to promote mutual understanding and knowledge by means of co-operation in the fields of education, science and culture, have agreed as follows:

Article 1. Each Contracting Party shall assist, as far as possible, the diffusion and teaching of the languages, literature, history and culture of the other country in its schools, universities and other educational institutions.

Article 2. The Contracting Parties shall promote suitable initiatives in the way of co-operation and exchange in the cultural field between universities and other cultural and educational bodies in the two countries.

Article 3. The Contracting Parties shall favour the granting, on a basis of reciprocity, of scholarships and study grants to students and graduates of institutions of higher education in the other country.

Article 4. The Contracting Parties shall examine means of best resolving problems relating to the equivalence of diplomas and certificates.

Article 5. The Contracting Parties shall promote the development of scientific co-operation between their countries. To this end they shall

- Facilitate contacts between their scientific institutions as well as between institutes and research centres;
- Encourage the exchange of staff-members of scientific institutions as well as of other specialists;
- Promote the exchange of researchers through the grant of scholarships;
- Exchange scientific and specialised publications;
- Encourage the organisation of scientific lectures, conferences and seminars.

Article 6. The Contracting Parties shall promote co-operation between organisations, institutions and persons in the fields of culture and the arts in the two countries. In particular, they shall support, as far as possible and on a basis of reciprocity:

- Contacts and co-operation between libraries, archives and museums, including public art galleries;
- Visits by persons engaged in the fields of culture and the arts, including writers, translators, composers, architects, creative and performing artists, art and literature critics, journalists, specialists, experts and technical personnel involved in the conservation and valorization of the cultural heritage and other experts;
- Artistic presentations designed to make the culture of each country better known in the other, including exhibitions, performances of music, theatre and dance.

¹ Came into force on 9 November 1984 by signature, in accordance with article 11.

Article 7. The Contracting Parties shall favour the dissemination in each country of books, magazines, newspapers, films, phonographic and audio-visual material and other publications of a cultural, artistic and educational nature from the other country.

Article 8. The Contracting Parties shall favour direct co-operation between the radio and television organisations of the two countries and shall facilitate the exchange of films, programmes and other audio-visual material of an artistic, documentary or scientific nature.

Article 9. The Contracting Parties shall facilitate exchanges and co-operation between appropriate youth and sport organisations of the two countries.

Article 10. The Contracting Parties shall favour the convening of periodic meetings of representatives of the two countries to consider matters relating to the application of this Agreement.

Article 11. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of signature and shall be of unlimited duration. It may be terminated at any time by either Contracting Party after prior notification of six months.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorised, have signed this Agreement and have affixed thereto their seals.

DONE at Dublin on 9th day of November 1984 in duplicate in the Irish, Italian and English languages, all three texts being equally authentic.

[Signed — Signé]¹
For the Government
of Ireland

[Signed — Signé]²
For the Government
of the Italian Republic

¹ Signed by Peter Barry — Signé par Peter Barry.

² Signed by Lorenzo Tozzoli — Signé par Lorenzo Tozzoli.