AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY

FOR CULTURAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COLLABORATION

The Government of the Republic of Singapore and the Government of the Republic of Italy wishing to strengthen the friendly relations existing between the two Countries and to develop their cooperation in the Cultural, Scientific and Technological fields, have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE 1

The Contracting Parties shall encourage the development and promotion of cooperation between the two Countries in the fields of Culture, Science, Arts, and Technology. To this end they undertake to:

- (a) encourage the exchange and the visits of teachers, researchers, experts, artists, as well as their participation in conferences, meetings, seminars, etc., organised in their Countries:
- (b) facilitate, on a reciprocal basis, the exchange of books, publications, reproductions of works of art, radio-TV programmes and other similars;
- (c) favour the organization of art and design exhibitions and artistic activities in each other's territory;
- (d) exchange experiences and didactic material in the educational field as well as in fine arts and design sectors.

ARTICLE 2

The Contracting Parties may grant to each other's citizens, according to their respective procedures in force, scholarships for commencing or continuing studies in various institutions of higher learning.

ARTICLE 3

The Contracting Parties shall facilitate, as much as possible, the study and research in their Universities, Institutes, or other Educational Establishments and Institutions of Higher Education in the fields of culture, science, technology, automation and robotics.

ARTICLE 4

The Contracting Parties shall decide periodically on the cooperation and research areas that can be considered of particular interest for the achievement of common scientific aims.

The Contracting Parties shall agree on their priorities in this pursuit of such common scientific aims.

ARTICLE 5

In order to increase the scientific and technological cooperation, the Contracting Parties shall encourage:

- (a) the exchange of scientific and technological documentation;
- (b) reciprocal visits of experts and specialists to increase studies and exchanges of experiences;
- (c) the organization of scientific and technological conferences and seminars;
- (d) common researches, studies and plannings in agreed areas.

The Contracting Parties shall also promote the relations and collaboration between the Organizations and the scientific and technological, public or private Institutions of both Countries.

ARTICLE 6

In order to establish and control the modalities of implementation of the Agreement the Contracting Parties agree to constitute a Joint Committee that shall meet at least once every three-years, in Singapore and Rome alternately.

Pending the formalities of the following Art. 7 both Parties can take all administrative measures in order to start, in the framework of their relevant internal provisions, cooperation activities in consistency with the peculiar contents of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 7

The present Agreement is valid for an unlimited period; nevertheless, it can be terminated by either of the Contracting Parties by a 6 months' notice.

This Agreement shall enter into force 60 days from the date on which the Parties shall inform each other that the formalities required by their respective Constitutions for coming into force have been completed.

Done in Singapore, on 30 July 1990, in two originals, each being in the English language.

For the Government of the Republic of Singapore

For the Government of the Republic of Italy