ANNEX II - EXCEPTIONAL MEASURES FOR COVID-19 EMERGENCY

The European Commission’s 2020 exceptional measures issued in response to the COVID-19 emergency are available here, although they have not yet been confirmed for academic year 2021/2022.

In an effort to fight COVID-19, Mobility could take place virtually in any form of online activity provided it meets the Mobility for studies objectives outlined in the Learning Agreement for Studies. Mobility will have to include a period spent abroad where emergency measures allow. Mobility abroad must comply with the programme’s minimum duration period unless the Erasmus Plus National Agency INDIRE applies the force majeure clause.

Should Covid-19 emergency restrictions persist, Mobility abroad may be replaced by online activities or even suspended, although all activities must be completed before the University and Erasmus Plus National Agency INDIRE Agreement expires and the minimum duration of Mobility is completed. Mobility will be recognised as being blended if it is done partially online from the country of origin and partially abroad.

**NB.** Despite the European Commission introducing exceptional measures in response to the COVID-19 emergency, Erasmus Mobility for studies cannot last less than 3 months. This corresponds to 90 days, according to the Erasmus+ programme counting methods: Erasmus+ National Agency Calculator available on the Istruzioni per studenti Unito (outgoing) – “Documenti” Section. Periods of Mobility abroad and/or foreign blended Mobility which is under the minimum allowed will only be eligible if the Erasmus Plus National Agency INDIRE applies the force majeure clause.

If health emergency restrictions persist and do not allow the participant to complete their time abroad, the country of origin will provide a completely online programme which will be eligible for recognition and therefore worth credits.

**It is important to note that scholarships for blended Mobility are only granted for time spent abroad and no scholarship is available for completely online programmes offered by countries of origin. Students must physically spend at least three months abroad (90 days** according to the Erasmus+ programme counting methods: Erasmus+ National Agency Calculator available at Istruzioni per studenti Unito (outgoing) – “Documenti” Section).

The European Commission and Erasmus Plus National Agency INDIRE (Note 5/2020 of 9/09/2020) recognise students following a programme remotely even though living in the host country and considers this Mobility abroad and entitling them to funding.