



ALLEGATO B alla Dgr n. 1664 del 24 settembre 2013

**MEMORANDUM
BETWEEN
THE VENETO REGION
(ITALIAN REPUBLIC)
AND
THE JIANGSU PROVINCE
(PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA)
FOR THE PRESERVATION OF CULTURAL HERITAGE**

The Veneto Region (Italian Republic), Lead Partner of the Project “Cultural Heritage, the source of wisdom, heritage and humanity” participating in the programme MAE/Regioni/Cina (MFA/Regions/China).

The Jiangsu Province (People's Republic of China) through the Jiangsu Provincial Bureau of Cultural Relics.

Premises:

This Memorandum regulates forms of cooperation between the Parties in the field of preservation of cultural heritage, which are distinct (even if they will be developed subsequently) from previous initiatives undertaken within the framework of the Program MFA / Regions / China (which are expected to be concluded by October 30th 2013). Therefore, any possible legal effect of this Agreement is attributed solely to the signatory Parties.

The Parties have negotiated and defined to cooperate within the framework of the Project “Cultural Heritage, the source of wisdom, heritage and humanity” related to the abovementioned Program MFA/ Regions/ China mentioned above, in the four areas listed as follows:

- preservation of the walls of the Ming citadel of Nanjing;
- conservation and restoration of paper cultural heritage;
- conservation of polychrome finds belonging to ancient buildings of Jiangsu;
- conservation of stone finds.

On 5th May 1997 the Veneto Region and the Jiangsu Province signed in Venice a Protocol of Agreement for the development of activities of collaboration and mutual exchange.

For the restoration of Jiangsu cultural heritage, the Italian Party will use next generation materials and technologies aimed at reaching an improvement in the preservation of the cultural heritage of the Province.

In order to further strengthen the cooperation between the Parties as well as to promote its development, the Veneto Region and the Jiangsu Province have negotiated and defined the following:

A. Contents of collaboration

- 1) Preservation of the walls of the Ming citadel of Nanjing.
- 2) Conservation and restoration of paper cultural heritage.

Particularly, with reference to points 1 and 2, the fields of collaboration are the following:

- 1) New techniques, new methods of working and new materials suitable for use in the preservation of walls and paper finds.
- 2) Training of a group of young experts as reference persons for the restoration and preservation of walls and paper finds.
- 3) Collaboration in order to draw up a technical document aimed at:
 - preservation and restoration of the walls;
 - preservation and restoration of paper finds;

For the details related to the contents, see the Technical Annex, as integral and essential part of this Memorandum.

B. Financial Part of the Agreement

For the first phase, the actions envisaged in this Memorandum have an overall economic value of approximately €100,000.00.

The Veneto Region pledges to pay for services a total value of approximately €50,000.00 by the end of October 2013.

The Jiangsu Province pledges to pay a total amount of approximately €50,000.00 by the end of the project.

C. Funded activities

The Veneto Region will finance the activities specified in the Technical Annex, by supporting the presence of Italian experts in Jiangsu and the activity of Italian technicians in Italy for the development of the Project and its analysis.

The Jiangsu Province will fund this Memorandum in order to support the Italian activity on the contents specified in the Technical Annex. This activity should be carried out by the end of the Memorandum according to the timing shared.

D. Technical time and duration of the collaboration

1. Technical time

The detailed activities as in the Technical Annex to this Memorandum have to be completed and funded in favor of:

- The Veneto Region by October 30, 2013
- The Jiangsu Province within 12 months from signature

2. Duration of Collaboration

The Memorandum has a duration of two years from subscription during which the parties undertake to find possible additional funding in order to carry out new shared projects without generating new or increased costs charged to the Italian State, since they will be covered thorough the balances of the Contracting Parties. In case of new funding this Protocol may be extended upon agreement of both parties.

E. Effectiveness

The present Memorandum - together with the Technical Attachment as its integral part - will come into force upon signature / stamp of both parties.

Done at on in three originals, written in Italian, Chinese and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of controversial interpretation the English version shall prevail.

For the **Veneto Region**

For the **Jiangsu Province**

Signature

Signature

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Technical Annex to the Memorandum between the Veneto Region (Italian Republic) and the Province of Jiangsu (People's Republic of China) in the field of conservation of cultural heritage.

CONTENTS OF COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE VENETO REGION (ITALIAN REPUBLIC) AND THE JIANGSU PROVINCE (PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA) IN THE FIELD OF CULTURAL HERITAGE CONSERVATION.

A. Conservation of walls of the Ming citadel of Nanjing, with particular reference to the following fields:

- 1) study of material, analysis and testing for the conservation of the walls of the Ming citadel in Nanjing by paying particular attention to consolidation and water resistance;
- 2) testing procedures by using all data resulting from step 1;
- 3) analysis for the removal of plant species present on the walls of the Ming citadel in Nanjing;
- 4) drawing up a technical document for risk assessment, safety and recovery of the walls of the Ming citadel in Nanjing;

B. Protection and restoration of paper finds, with reference to the following:

- 1) study of materials aimed at removing stains in ancient drawings and handwriting;
- 2) study for reinforcing fragile papers;
- 3) study for the recovery of literary works with strong difficulties related to their permanence in humid environments. In particular, compacting of sheets and their subsequent use.
- 4) drawing up of a technical document for the conservation and restoration of paper documents and proposals for the Chinese context.

C: Expenditures:

For a total amount of €50,000.00, the Veneto Region pledges by 30 October 2013:

1. to make Italian centers and laboratories available for the training of Chinese technicians and trainers, costs of stay (board and lodging) included, if the training procedure is carried out in Italy by 30 October 2013. If they stay in another period, only the cost of the centers and laboratories will be covered.
2. to make Italian specialized technicians available in order to improve the carrying out of activities in Nanjing, as indicated above, by covering costs of intercontinental flights and stay in Nanjing.
3. to make Italian specialized technicians available in order to improve the carrying out of activities in Italy as specified above

For the total amount of €50,000.00 the Jiangsu Province pledges by the end of June 2014:

1. to make two Chinese engineers travel to Italy for their training on issues related to restoration of the walls and paper works on paper, flight costs are included in case of stay by October 30. If they stay takes place in other period, its cost and the cost of Italian trainers will be also covered;
2. to buy Italian materials and technologies for the restoration and conservation of paper works and walls by assigning any tasks to Italian experts, after 30 October 2013;
3. to publish a shared technical document on research and / or work done.

Note:

- English will be used as working language
- Italian, Chinese and English will be used for official publication