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Dear Ms. GUO,

Our University came to know from the M.A.R. Association of the International Educational Exchange promotion between Italy and China's Hainan Province through mechanisms such as:

- encouraging direct contact and cooperation between professional Institutes, Universities, private Schools, private Companies.
- promoting exchange of teaching programs and methods.
- promoting students exchange programs (undergraduate and graduate level) between Italy and the Chinese Province of Hainan.

We confirm our interest to be part of such cooperation intents and we would be honored to introduce our University features, and in particular the teaching and research activities of the Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences (DISAT), with the aim of finding a common and fruitful way of collaboration.

Out of the several other Departments composing the University of Milano – Bicocca (Medicine, Physics, Biology, Mathematics, Statistics, Computer technology, Materials Science, Sociology, Psychology, Human Sciences, Economy, Law), DISAT hosts the bachelor and master's programmes in Environmental Sciences, the bachelor and master's programmes in Geological Sciences, and the International master's programme in Marine Sciences. Given the international nature and organization of the latter, and the wide range of topics about the marine environmental management that we cover, we believe that Marine Sciences may serve as a first bridge for a collaboration in this field of research and higher education. Moreover, we are looking forward to exploring the entire range of possible mutual benefits especially in the field of pure and applied research.

We are willing to meet you during your Italian visit, in order to implement the progressive development of relationships and to identify the first steps of exchange.

Prof. Daniela Basso Director of the master's programme of Marine Sciences

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