



**CHARTER OF THE EUROPEAN MASTER'S PROGRAMME  
IN HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRATISATION**

**(CHARTER OF VENICE)**

adopted on 26 July 1997, and revised on 15 September 2001 and 23 September 2005.

**PREAMBLE**

The universities participating in the European Master's Programme in Human Rights and Democratisation;

UPHOLDING the European commitment to contribute to the UN Decade for Human Rights Education;

ACKNOWLEDGING the role played by the founding universities of the European Master's Programme in Human Rights and Democratisation (hereinafter the Programme), Catholic University Leuven (Belgium), Åbo Akademi University (Finland), Université Robert Schuman Strasbourg (France), Ruhr University Bochum (Germany), National University of Ireland, Dublin (Ireland), University of Padua (Italy), Maastricht University (the Netherlands), University of Coimbra (Portugal), University of Deusto (Spain), University of Essex (United Kingdom); and by the five universities that joined one year later, University of Vienna (Austria), University of Odense in cooperation with the Danish Centre for Human Rights (Denmark), Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (Greece), Centre Universitaire de Luxembourg (Luxembourg), Lund University (Sweden);

ACKNOWLEDGING the role played by the European Union in founding the Programme and its continuous political and financial support;

ACKNOWLEDGING the support of the Region of Veneto and the Municipality of Venice, the sponsorship of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, the UNESCO and the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ), and the cooperation with other international, European and national institutions;

RECOGNISING the unique role of the Programme within the policies set out by the European Union in the field of Human Rights Education and Training (Declaration of the European Union on the occasion of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, Vienna, 10 December 1998);

RECONFIRMING the commitment to the use of the Programme as a pan-European platform for the development of human rights education and research;

STRESSING the need for the further development of human rights education and research at the national and regional levels;

PROCLAIM this Charter of Venice:

**AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

***Article 1.***

The aim of the Programme is to form high-level professionals in the field of human rights and democratisation qualified to work as academics, staff members or field workers for inter-governmental, governmental, and non-governmental organisations. In addition, the Programme seeks to create a European network of curriculum development and staff exchange among universities in the field of human rights.

### **Article 2.**

To realise these aims, the Programme offers high-level academic and professional training through a two-semester programme, the first semester being organised in Venice, and the second being organised in the EU member states by the Participating Universities.

### **Article 3.**

§ 1. The Participating Universities are: University of Vienna, University of Graz (Austria), Catholic University Leuven, Université Libre de Bruxelles (Belgium), University of Cyprus (Cyprus), Masaryk University Brno (Czech Republic) University of Southern Denmark/Danish Institute for Human Rights, University of Copenhagen (Denmark), Tartu University (Estonia), Åbo Akademi University, University of Helsinki (Finland), Université Robert Schuman Strasbourg, Université de Montpellier (France), Ruhr University Bochum, University of Hamburg (Germany), Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Panteion University, Athens (Greece), Szechenyi University of Győr (Hungary), National University of Ireland, Galway, University College Dublin - National University of Ireland, Dublin, (Ireland) ,University of Padua, Ca' Foscari University of Venice (Italy), University of Latvia (Latvia), University of Vilnius (Lithuania), Université du Luxembourg (Luxembourg), University of Malta (Malta), Maastricht University, Utrecht University (the Netherlands), Adam Mickiewicz University Poznań/ Poznań Human Rights Centre (Poland), University of Coimbra, New University of Lisbon (Portugal), Comenius University Bratislava (Slovakia), University of Ljubljana (Slovenia), University of Deusto, Bilbao, University of Seville (Spain), Lund University, Uppsala University (Sweden), University of Nottingham, Queen's University Belfast, (United Kingdom).

§ 2. The Council, by a 2/3 majority vote of all Participating Universities, may admit new Participating Universities from EU member states.

§3. Each Participating University is represented by an E.MA Director, who shall be an academic with high qualifications in the field of human rights and/or democratisation.

### **Article 4.**

§ 1. The National Coordinating Universities are: University of Vienna (Austria), Catholic University Leuven (Belgium), University of Cyprus (Cyprus), Masaryk University Brno (Czech Republic) University of Southern Denmark/Danish Institute for Human Rights (Denmark), Tartu University (Estonia), Åbo Akademi University (Finland), Université Robert Schuman Strasbourg (France), Ruhr University Bochum (Germany), Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (Greece), Szechenyi University of Győr (Hungary), National University of Ireland, Galway (Ireland), University of Padua (Italy), University of Latvia (Latvia), University of Vilnius (Lithuania), Université du Luxembourg (Luxembourg), University of Malta (Malta), Maastricht University (the Netherlands), Adam Mickiewicz University Poznań/ Poznań Human Rights Centre (Poland), University of Coimbra (Portugal), Comenius University Bratislava (Slovakia), University of Ljubljana (Slovenia), University of Deusto, Bilbao (Spain), Lund University (Sweden), University of Nottingham (United Kingdom).

§ 2. The Council, by a 2/3 majority vote of all Participating Universities, may entrust or transfer the mandate of national coordination to other Participating Universities.

§ 3. The program is managed by the European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratisation (EIUC).

### **Article 5.**

The Participating Universities are committed to the following:

- the provision of teaching staff for the Programme,
- participation in the second semester activities,
- the provision of education related to the overall subject of the course and the opportunity to pursue specialised research,
- participation in the Council,
- cooperation in reporting to those organs and institutions that provide funding for the Programme.

**Article 6.**

The National Coordinating Universities, in cooperation with the other Participating Universities, are mandated to:

- carry out the selection of candidates for the programme,
- act as a focal point for the acceptance and distribution of students in the second semester,
- be the focal point for all national institutions regarding the course.

**ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE**

**Article 7.**

The organisational structure of the Programme consists of the following organs:

- the Council,
- the Executive Committee,
- the Academic Curriculum Group,
- the E.MA Programme Director,
- the E.MA Directors,
- the Advisory Board.

The Programme shall be administered by the above organs on the basis of mandates defined in the present Charter.

**Article 8.**

§ 1. The Council shall be the highest decision-making body and shall supervise the international and national elements of the Programme. It shall, *inter alia*:

- adopt directives regarding the budget, to be submitted to the EIUC,,
- elect the E.MA Chairperson, by a 2/3 majority vote of the members present,
- elect the ordinary members of the Executive Committee, by a 2/3 majority vote of the members present,
- invite appropriate persons to form the Advisory Board,
- specify the conditions of admission, determine the overall size of the student body, and determine the student fees,
- specify the rules of assessment,
- in accordance with Article 15, propose to the Inner Circle Universities the awarding of the Master's degree to those students who meet all the requirements of the Programme,
- evaluate the Programme at the end of each academic year,
- approve all structural changes to the Programme,
- in accordance with Article 3 § 2, decide on the admission of additional universities to the Programme, by a 2/3 majority vote of all Participating Universities,
- in accordance with Article 17 § 2, decide on the expulsion of a Participating University, by a 3/4 majority vote of all Participating Universities.

§ 2. The Council shall consist of:

- one representative of each Participating University (the E.MA Director, or his/her alternate),
- the E.MA Programme Director (*ex officio* member),
- the EIUC President and Secretary General (with consultative status),
- two representatives of the student body (with consultative status).

§ 3. To constitute a formal meeting of the Council, a quorum of 2/3 of all Participating Universities is required. In the absence of consensus, decisions of the Council may be reached by a simple majority vote of all the members present, unless otherwise provided, and without violating the autonomy of the Participating Universities.

**Article 9.**

§ 1. The Executive Committee shall:

- implement the decisions of the Council,
- in accordance with article 10 § 2, nominate the E.MA Programme Director, for appointment by the EIUC Board,
- oversee examinations and other procedures,
- monitor the planning of the academic programme for the first semester, taking into account the recommendations of the Academic Curriculum Group,
- make the final selection of the students to the Programme,
- review and compile examination results,
- establish contacts with inter-governmental, non-governmental, and governmental organisations,
- propose initiatives for the development of the Programme to the Council,
- promote collaborative research among the Participating Universities.

§ 2. The Executive Committee shall generally assure the continuity of the Programme in the period between meetings of the Council. It may at times delegate its authority to the E.MA Programme Director.

§ 3. The Executive Committee shall consist of:

- the E.MA Chairperson,
- the E.MA Programme Director (*ex officio* member),
- seven ordinary members, drawn from the Council, including at least one from the Inner Circle Universities,
- the EIUC President and Secretary General (with consultative status).

§ 4. The period of office shall be two years. The ordinary members can be re-elected for a maximum of two consecutive terms.

§ 5. To constitute a formal meeting of the Executive Committee, a quorum of 5 voting members is required. In the absence of consensus, decisions of the Executive Committee may be taken by a simple majority vote of all the members present.

**Article 9bis**

§ 1 The Academic Curriculum Group reviews the curriculum of the programme, and makes appropriate recommendations to the Council and the Executive Committee.

§ 2 The Council appoints the members of the Academic Curriculum Group, on a yearly basis.

**Article 10.**

§ 1. The E.MA Programme Director shall, *inter alia*:

- implement and develop the Programme,
- liaise with E.MA Directors, Rectors and Presidents of universities, the E.MA Chairperson, the Academic Curriculum Group and the Advisory Board,
- forge contacts with international and other related organisations,
- put forward proposals to be addressed in meetings of the Council and the Executive Committee, and implement decisions taken by them.

§ 2. The E.MA Programme Director shall be appointed by the EIUC Board, upon nomination by the Executive Committee.

**Article 11.**

§ 1 The E.MA Directors shall:

- ensure the implementation of the E.MA Programme at their respective universities,
- execute the decisions of the Council and the Executive Committee.

§ 2 The E.MA Directors of the National Coordinating Universities coordinate the Programme activities at the national level.

**Article 12.**

§ 1. The Advisory Board shall:

- advise the Council on the Programme,
- be apprised of the decisions of the Council and the Executive Committee.

§ 2. The Advisory Board shall consist of individuals and representatives of international, national, and non-governmental organisations, active in the field of human rights and democratisation. They shall be invited by the Council.

**Article 13.**

The student body shall consist of EU citizens, citizens of European countries that have applied for EU membership, and citizens of third countries. The number of students for each category shall be determined by the Council.

## **CONFERRING OF THE DEGREE**

**Article 14.**

The Degree of *European Master in Human Rights and Democratisation* shall be awarded by those Participating Universities that are party to the Agreement on the European Master's Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation (Joint Degree) (i.e. the Inner Circle Universities), on behalf of the Programme and in compliance with the relevant legal provisions, and will be recognised by means of a formal diploma.

**Article 15.**

The academic responsables, for the activities during the first semester, and the E.MA Directors, for the activities during the second semester, will forward the marks to the E.MA Programme Director for compilation. The Council acting in its capacity as Examination Committee and after having conducted an oral defence of every Master's thesis will propose to the Inner Circle Universities the names of those candidates qualified to graduate.

## **LEGAL REMEDIES**

**Article 16.**

Students may avail themselves of the remedies provided by the Council with respect to the conferral of the Master's Degree. The normal remedies of the Participating Universities will apply in the second semester.

## **FINAL PROVISIONS**

**Article 17.**

§ 1. Any Participating University may withdraw from the Programme upon written notice submitted at the latest six months before the beginning of the next academic year.

§ 2. Failure to uphold the responsibilities spelled out in this Charter may lead to the expulsion of any Participating University subject to a decision of the Council, reached by a 3/4 majority vote of all Participating Universities.

*Article 18.*

Amendments to this Charter can only be made with the unanimous consent of the Participating Universities through their representatives in the Council.

## **Agreement on the European Master's Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation (Joint Degree)**

### **Preamble**

*Considering* that human rights and democracy are fundamental values for all human beings and societies;

*Considering* that the European Union, as stated in article 6 of the Treaty on European Union, is founded on the principles of liberty, democracy, respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, and the rule of law, and that it promotes respect for human rights, according to the principles of universality, interdependence and indivisibility of all human rights, as confirmed by the EU Declaration of Vienna, 10 December 1998, on the occasion of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;

*Considering* the necessity of developing the teaching of human rights and democracy in the universities, as well as in the overall teaching systems both in school and out of school, in co-operation with national, European and international organisations and civil society entities;

*Fully aware* of the importance of the university in promoting a law-based civilisation, at the national, European, and international levels, infused with the universal human values, as proclaimed by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and all relevant international and regional instruments;

*Bearing in mind* the spirit of the Sorbonne Declaration of 25 May 1998 on “Harmonizing the Architecture of Higher Education Systems in Europe”, and of the Bologna Declaration of 19 June 1999 on the “European Space for Higher Education”, that emphasise the importance of a “Europe of Knowledge” as “pre-condition for consolidating and enriching the European citizenship, by giving to the citizens the competence needed to face the challenges of the new millennium and, at the same time, the awareness of shared values and of belonging to a common social and cultural space” and that “education and co-operation are essential instruments for the development and consolidation of democratic, stable, and peaceful societies”.

*Considering* the necessity of promoting co-operation among universities, starting from the European ones, with the aim of further developing research and teaching programmes on human rights, democracy, and good governance, taking advantage from sharing their experience as well as educational and scientific resources;

*Having regard* to the Venice Charter, adopted on 26 July 1997, and revised on 15 September 2001, setting up a European Master's Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation;

*Considering* that the European Master's Degree has developed into a unique cooperation project started among fifteen European Universities - University of Vienna, Catholic University of Leuven, University of Southern Denmark, Åbo Akademi University, Université Robert Schuman (Strasbourg), Ruhr-University Bochum, Aristotele University of Thessaloniki, University College Dublin, National University of Ireland, Dublin, University of Padua, Centre Universitaire de Luxembourg, University of Maastricht, University of Coimbra, University of Deusto (Bilbao), University of Lund, University of Essex -, and further extended to the Panteion University, Athens, Université Libre de Bruxelles, National University of Ireland, Galway, University of Copenhagen, University of Graz, University of Hamburg, University of Helsinki, Université de Montpellier, Universidade Nova de Lisboa, University of Sevilla, University of Nottingham, University of Uppsala, University of Utrecht, University Ca' Foscari, Venice, with the support of the European Union, the Region of Veneto, and the Municipality of Venice, and the sponsorship of the UNHCHR, UNESCO and OSCE;

*Taking account* of the intention expressed by the Council of the European Union in the Declaration of 10 December 1998, cited above, of continuing the European Master's Programme, and of the decision enacted by the European Parliament and the Council to include the European Master's Programme in Chapter A of the EU budget;

*Recalling further* Act no. 33 of 28 December 1998, on «European Master in Human Rights and Democratisation» of the Region of Veneto;

*Expressing* deep gratitude to the University of Padua for having so far ensured coordination and provided the E.MA diploma in compliance with the E.MA rules;

*Recognising* the necessity of granting the European Master's Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation a more suitable structure;

*Considering* that the European Inter-University Centre on Human Rights and Democratisation (EIUC), established in Venice on 16 September 2002 is composed by E.MA participating Universities and provides an adequate organisational and administrative support;

The University of Padua, the University of Venice, the Ruhr-University Bochum and the University of Deusto, Bilbao have agreed as follows:

#### **Art. 1 – Founding Universities and institutional support**

The European Master's Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation (hereinafter E.MA) has been constituted jointly by the University of Vienna, University of Graz, Catholic University of Leuven, Université Libre de Bruxelles, University of Southern Denmark, University of Copenhagen, Åbo Akademi University, University of Helsinki, Université Robert Schuman (Strasbourg), Université de Montpellier, Ruhr-University Bochum, University of Hamburg, Aristotele University of Thessaloniki, Panteion University, Athens, University College Dublin, National University of Ireland, Dublin, National University of Ireland, Galway, University of Padua, Ca' Foscari University, Venice, Centre Universitaire de Luxembourg, University of Maastricht, University of Utrecht, University of Coimbra, Universidade Nova de Lisboa, University of Deusto (Bilbao), University of Sevilla, University of Lund, University of Uppsala, University of Essex, University of Nottingham, with the support of the European Union, the Region of Veneto, and the Municipality of Venice, and the sponsorship of the UNHCHR, UNESCO and OSCE.

#### **Art. 2 – The E.MA degree course and diploma**

The E.MA is a one-year course and the degree is equivalent to one full time academic year. At the end, successful participants will get a degree signed by as many as possible participating Universities, each one complying with its own national legal framework. Applicants are required to hold a university degree of a high standard (and at least Bachelor level), normally in a field relevant to human rights, including disciplines in law, social sciences, and the humanities, or an equivalent qualification allowing their inscription to a similar Master in at least one of the participant Universities to a Master fulfilling similar requirements. Fluency in English and the ability to understand lectures and read academic texts in French are also required. Practical experience in the area of human rights in inter-governmental, governmental, or non-governmental organisations would be helpful.

At the end of the degree course the attainable title is a **European Master Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation**, jointly signed by the partner Universities that legally recognise the admission qualifications of the students and whose national regulations allow joint diploma awarding. All the other partner universities will be mentioned in the diploma, as institutions co-operating for the common implementation of the degree course.

### **Art. 3 – Administrative seat**

The E.MA administrative co-ordination will be carried on by the European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratisation (EIUC), based in Venice, which will collect applications and students fees on behalf of the universities party to the present agreement.

The official languages of the E.MA are English and French.

### **Art. 4 – Aims**

The aim of the one-year Course is to educate professionals in the field of human rights and democratisation according to an action and policy-oriented approach. As a multidisciplinary academic programme, the Master's Degree reflects the indivisible links between human rights, democracy, peace, and development.

### **Art. 5 – Degree course organisation**

The E.MA Course is organised into two semesters.

In the first semester (September - January), students are taught together in Venice by lecturers and tutors from the participating universities and experts from inter-governmental and non-governmental organisations. At the end of the first semester, within a training period of three weeks with regard to human rights in field operations including monitoring and electoral observation, a one-week field trip is organised. Assessment is made by a mid- and end-of-semester written examination.

In the second semester (February - June), according to the specialties they have indicated, students will be selected and hosted in the participating universities to attend further courses and engage in supervised research leading to a written report (E.MA thesis). At the end of the semester, an evaluation will be made of the work undertaken by the students at the participating universities.

### **Art. 6 - Contents of study programme**

The programme, being multidisciplinary, begins with preparatory sessions to post-graduate level studies in politics, philosophy, and law. These are followed by lectures, seminars, workshops, skill-building sessions, and individual research on the following topics:

- A. HISTORY, PHILOSOPHY AND POLITICS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY
- B. HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW
- C. UNIVERSAL AND REGIONAL SYSTEMS FOR THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS
- D. HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY IN THE FIELD.

### **Art. 7 - Teaching methodology**

The teaching languages are English and French.

The courses combine a theoretical and a practical approach of human rights and democratisation issues. Classes consist of lectures, workshops, round-tables, tutorials, skill-building sessions and rolling seminars. Attendance is compulsory and an active participation is required as well as intensive reading and preparation of the lectures. Students receive a compendium with all the reading material necessary for each thematic section.

### **Art. 8 – Degree course and rules of assessment**

Provisions on degree components and exam procedures are contained in the E.MA Rules (Venice Charter, Annex 1), endorsed by the Council of Directors, attached to the present agreement.

### **Art. 9 – Credit structure**

All the degree components are translated into ECTS, the European Credit Transfer System adopted by the Master's Course, according to the following distribution (which indicates limits for each component, at least 60 credits as a whole): component A (first semester course units): 30 ECTS credits; component B (second semester course units): 9 ECTS credits; component C (E.MA thesis): 21 ECTS credits.

### **Art. 10 – Didactic structure**

Master's didactic organisation is carried on by the E.MA governing bodies (see the Venice Charter) and the E.MA Academic Co-ordinator (or Dean).

### **Art. 11 – Tutors**

Tutors form an integral part of the Programme's infrastructure through assisting students with specific topics and providing continuity for the first semester in Venice. Participating universities provides visiting tutors. In addition, there is a unit of permanent teaching-assistants based in Venice, which facilitates the link between students and lecturers by providing technical assistance, support, and mentoring during their stay in Venice.

Tutors will help run the working groups and discussion sessions, assist in the preparation of reading materials and case studies, assist students in any other aspect of the Programme, such as facilitating contacts with local NGOs, research institutions and experts in the field of human rights and democratisation, and advise students on 2<sup>nd</sup> semester choices.

#### **Art. 12 – Participants’ selection**

The EIUC will collect all the application forms, within March 15<sup>th</sup> of every year.

Every year, 75 places are allocated to EU citizens, 5 to non-EU citizens and 10 to citizens of European Countries that have applied for EU membership.

Candidates selection will be made firstly at the national level by the participating universities, except for non EU citizens. The E.MA Executive Committee will directly select the latter and decide the final ranking.

The criteria used during the selection process are: academic ability and background, experience, motivation, and language competence.

#### **Art. 13 – Application fee**

Each students admitted to the Master’s Course must pay an application fee of Euro 3.000 to EIUC on behalf of the partner Universities.

Students will be partially subsidised for their accommodation during the first semester in Venice and receive a mobility grant for the second semester (five months).

#### **Art. 14 – Financial plan**

2003/2004 Master’s course will have a budget of 2.026.000,00Euro given by European Union (1.692.000,00Euro), Region of Veneto (100.000,00Euro) and application fees (232.500,00Euro). The budget will be administered by the EIUC.

#### **Art. 15 – Withdrawal Clause**

Any party can withdraw from the present Protocol. The corresponding decision must be communicated to the EIUC-Board and the E.MA Council before the publication of the Annual Call for applicants.

#### **Art. 16 – Protocol on implementation of the E.MA Joint Degree**

The present agreement will be implemented according to the provisions of the annexed *Protocol on implementation of the E.MA Joint Degree* signed by the universities issuing the European Joint Degree (Annex 2).

## **PROTOCOL ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE E.MA JOINT DEGREE DIPLOMA**

(Protocol to be signed by the those universities, which are jointly issuing the joint degree, and by EIUC)

**Nature of the E.MA network and Quality Assurance:** All the 29 partner institutions which today jointly offer the European Master's Degree in Human Rights and Democratisation (E.MA for short in the following) do belong to the regular national university system of their own country, falling under the corresponding procedures for quality assurance and/or accreditation. Several of the partner universities belong to the Coimbra Group and/or to the Utrecht Network. As far as the E.MA degree course is concerned, an Internal Quality Assurance Protocol is operating, care of the E.MA Council and being based on students evaluations (both single course unit and overall degree-course evaluations) and on permanent revisiting, updating and improvement of the curriculum by the responsible E.MA organs.

- 1. All E.MA Students are jointly enrolled by the universities party to the present Protocol in accordance with par. 2 and 3 below. For the academic year 2003/2004 the universities party to this Protocol will not demand reimbursement for their services.**
- 2. The University of Padova is the university of the first enrolment. The other parties are universities of second enrolment. The enrolment is carried out through the following procedure, in the framework of the responsibilities and the full administrative support of the European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratization (EIUC): Firstly students are pre-enrolled by the University of Padova which verifies that the requirements for admission, as established by the E.MA Council and reviewed by EIUC, are met. Secondly, upon verification of admissibility by the University of Padova, the students are jointly enrolled by all the universities party to the present Protocol. The original access documents will be kept at the university of Padova, which through EIUC will give all necessary information to the other universities party to the present Protocol. If necessary, the documents must be validated (by any Embassy of EU countries).**
- 3. The universities party to the present Protocol will issue a certificate of joint enrolment, whenever asked for by the students participating in the programme.**
- 4. EIUC collects students fees on behalf of the universities party to the present Protocol in accordance with their contractual and statutory obligations. The E.MA Council in coordination with the respective EIUC organs will establish the amount due to the universities party for their services, starting from the academic year 2004/2005. The distribution of the total collected amount will follow the rules established by the responsible organs. EIUC will send a copy of the annual financial report concerning the distribution of the fees to the universities party to the present Protocol.**

5. As a consequence of enrolment, all students are insured. The insurance policy is provided to the students by the University of Padova, as part of its role in coordinating the administrative tasks linked to the joint enrolment procedure. EIUC will for the academic year 2003/2004 transfer the needed amount to the University of Padova (4.39 €per student).
6. The E.MA Council will be asked to provide to the parties to the present Protocol for approval the draft version of the “Annual Call for applicants to E.MA”.
7. Before the final examination takes place, EIUC will send the career records (including a copy of the E.MA thesis) of each successful student to the University of Padova in order to carry out the required administrative check.
8. The universities party to this Protocol will register on their own archives the joint degree diplomas according to the initials “E.MA” followed by a progressive number.
9. The Joint Degree Diploma document will be provided as shown in the Annex to this Protocol (see. Annex 1: Degree Diploma template)
10. This Protocol will be revised during the present academic year on the basis of the initial document presented by the University of Padova on the procedure for conferring the joint degree diploma.
11. The present Protocol is open to accession for any other E.MA university willing to accept to joint degree diploma until 31/12/2003 for the academic year 2003/2004. For the coming academic years the universities accepting the joint degree diploma should accede to the present Protocol before the publication of the Annual Call for applicants. This protocol serves as an integral part of the joint degree agreement.
12. Any party can withdraw from the present Protocol. The corresponding decision must be communicated to the EIUC-Board and the E.MA Council before the publication of the Annual Call for applicants.
13. For any administrative aspect not regulated by the EIUC-statute, the E.MA founding documents and by this Protocol, the rules of the University of Padova will apply.
14. Any dispute arising from the interpretation and implementation of the present Protocol will be regulated according to Italian law. The Padova Court shall have jurisdiction to hear the case.

**DRAFT TEMPLATE of the E.MA JOINT DEGREE**

<p><b>Meaning of each row</b></p>	<p><b>Logo of the European Union</b></p>			
<p><b>Official names and logos of the inner circle partners</b></p>	<p><b>Ruhr-University Bochum</b></p>	<p><b>University of Deusto, Bilbao</b></p>	<p><b>University of Padua</b></p>	<p><b>University Cà Foscari of Venice</b></p>
<p><b>Common name of the Joint Degree or qualification</b></p>	<p><b>JOINT DIPLOMA EUROPEAN MASTER'S DEGREE In HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRATIZATION</b></p>			
<p><b>Name of the student</b></p>	<p><b>Conferred on ....., Born ....., in ....., Attending and passing the examinations to the corresponding degree course in the Academic Year 2003/2004</b></p>			
<p><b>Signature of the Rector or Delegate of the Rector</b></p>	<p>Rector/delegate Ruhr-University Bochum</p>	<p>Rector/delegate University of Deusto, Bilbao</p>	<p>Rector/delegat e University of Padua</p>	<p>Rector/delegate University Cà Foscari of Venice</p>
<p><b>Official name of the national degree/qualification corresponding to the joint degree</b></p>			<p>Master di I° livello (DM 509/1999)</p>	<p>Master di I° livello (DM 509/1999)</p>
<p><b>Space available for administrative references</b></p>			<p>Resolution of the Academic Senate n° ....., Date .....</p>	<p>Resolution of the Academic Senate n° ....., Date .....</p>
<p><b>Place and date of Award/Registration number</b></p>	<p><b>Venice, ....., Reg.No.: E.MA - .....</b></p>			
<p><b>E.MA universities and E.MA supporting institutions (except EU already mentioned)</b></p>	<p><b>within the framework of the E.MA Programme</b></p> <p><b>LOGOs of the 29 E.MA universities</b> + logos of <b>Municipality of Venice, Region of Veneto, UNESCO, UNHCHR</b></p>			
<p><b>Organization of the course</b></p>	<p><b>organized by</b></p> <p><b>EIUC logo</b></p>			