TITOLO DEL PROGETTO: “International University Cooperation on Land Protection in European-Asiatic Countries

ACRONIMO: IUCLAND

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CORDINATORE: Università del Molise - UNIMOL

ALTRI PARTNER: Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra – SUA, University of Zagreb Faculty of Agriculture - UZFA, Fondazione per la Ricerca sulla Migrazione e Integrazione delle Tecnologie - FORMIT, Huazhong Agricultural UniversityHZAU, Institute of Soil Science Chinese Academy of Sciences – ISSAS, Fujian Normal University,China - FJNU, The Kyrgyz state technical university named after Iskhaak Razzakov - KSTU, Osh Technological University named after the academician M. M. Adyshev (OshTU), Serikbayev East-Kazakhstan state technical university - EKSTU, SSTUDIOGIULIANO srl – STG, M.Auezov South Kazakhstan State University - SKSU

AREA SCIENTIFICA – KEY WORDS: Il progetto ha come obiettivo principale quello di internazionalizzare azioni cooperative tra Università e attori coinvolti nelle dinamiche di protezione del territorio, con particolare attenzione al tema della difesa del suolo e della tutela del paesaggio. Il progetto prevede un programma di alta formazione con lo scambio di buone pratiche e la promozione di innovazione, attraverso la realizzazione in tre anni di sei summer school, 11 seminari e workshop di alta formazione web based. Le lezioni ed i workshop hanno lo scopo di implementare
The aim of the IUCLAND is to develop HEIs cooperation relations at international level on the thematic of Land Degradation that will mutually enhance high education, research, and outreach capabilities, so as to help the sustainable agriculture in vulnerable areas and to contribute to maintain the human wellness and the nature of the ecosystems by respecting the local communities. In particular: - Enhancing international cooperation relationships, involving European HEIs as well as HEIs and Research Centers based in Partner Countries (Central Asia and China); - sharing best practices; - promoting scientific assistance to regional and national policy maker in terms of land resource management and environmental rehabilitation; - development, assessment and implementation of a new regional model for university cooperation; - raising awareness among project targets (farmer association, agricultural organizations (at the federal, regional, zonal, and national level), nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), decision-making politician, researchers, students,) on best practices. In this framework, the consortium pursues the following goals: (1) to substantially increase the quantity and quality of the international education in land degradation curricula in the EU and Asiatic Country, (2) to provide MSc and PhD students critical thinking skills in the arena of Soil Monitoring and Soil Protection, and (3) to build and improve mutually beneficial, collaborative relationships among all the partner universities to facilitate research, higher education, and outreach in the areas of natural resource management.