## **AGREEMENT**

- 1. All the organizations behind this agreement guarantee quality control, origin and traceability for organs exchanged. Proper clinical selection shall be performed, using common criteria. Screening or confirmatory microbiological tests shall be performed using licensed tests and performed by national authorized laboratories.
- 2. The organizations guarantee observance to the existing laws of organ donation applicable in their countries.
- 3. No patient may appear simultaneously on a waiting list for organ transplantation in more than one of the organizations, unless for a exceptional clinical purposes, e.g. patients with PRA (Panel Reactive Antibodies).
- 4. Organs for which no suitable recipient can be found in one of the organizations may be offered to any or all of the others, provided that acceptable cold ischemia time can be achieved.
- **5.** Request for organs for pacients with special needs, such as highly urgent liver and heart patients, may be communicated between the organizations.
- **6.** There is no charge for organs that are exchanged between the organizations, but expenses for transportation of the organs are to be covered by the recipient transplantation centre. The reimbursement of transportation costs should be facilitated by the organ exchange organizations to which the recipient centre belongs.
- 7. Organs exchanged are allocated for transplantation according to the existing medical criteria of the recipient organization. Such organs may only be used for clinical organ transplantation and not for any other purpose, e.g. research.
- **8.** A yearly meeting is held between representatives of the organizations.

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