BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

NAME: ANTONINO MORABITO MD, FRCSEngl,FRCSED,FICS, FACS, FAAP

UNIVERSITY OF FLORENCE – MEYER CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL

POSITION TITLE: PROFESSOR OF PAEDIATRIC SURGERY – UNIVERSITY OF FLORENCE

EDUCATION/TRAINING Consultant Paediatric and Neonatal Surgeon (January 2003 to April 2018) at Royal Manchester Children’s Hospital UK

Locum Consultant in Paediatric Surgery: 1st January to September 2003 –at the Manchester Children’s Hospitals. UK

Fellow in Paediatric and Neonatal Surgery at the Royal Manchester Children’s Hospital – UK (March1996 – 31st of December 2002)

High Surgical Training General Surgery at the University of Perugia – Italy 01-11-1990 – 01-11-1995

1. **Personal Statement**

**I have participated in promoting the field of paediatric surgery locally, nationally and internationally. My association with the University of Manchester and the Royal Manchester Children’s Hospital has made Manchester a leading center in the management of short bowel syndrome. The publicity and public engagement has led to patients requesting to be treated in Manchester from all over the UK and Europe. The European Governments have funded the treatment of these patients at the Royal Manchester Children’s Hospital. Patients from the UK have been treated in this Unit at their request.**

**Building on this public engagement, I have now set up a research project on short bowel syndrome regenerative medicine. The project is funded by the UK charity “Short bowel survivors”. The project is based in the University of Manchester and has attracted an international research fellow presently carrying out the research. This research has led to publications in scientific journals.**

**In addition, every year since 2010, I have been invited to speak at the “International Summer School”: “One day in the life of a paediatric surgeon” organised by the University of Manchester. This is as part of my encouragement students to consider paediatric surgery as a career.**

**I have been awarded several prized for these contributions both in the UK and abroad**

**Since May 2018 I now moved to the Meyer’s Children’s Hospital University of Florence to carry on this task.** **This is a large Italian Children’s Hospital. The hospital is a National Trauma Centre. I am actively involved in the management of complex congenital anomalies of the Gastro Intestinal tract and Gastro-oesophageal Reflux in the Neurologically Impaired children. I lead the Paediatric Autologous Bowel Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Unit (PABRRU). The Unit admits patients from Italy and worldwide for specialist treatment and bowel reconstruction. I have treated 50 new patients over the last 5 years. The use of combined procedure (implemented by myself) changed the way short bowel is treated. We are the only center in the world to offer this approach. We introduced new techniques for the treatment of the short bowel state and more are currently tested in the large animals.**

1. **Positions and Honors**

**Professor of Pediatric Surgery –University of Florence**

**Professor School of Health and Life Science University of Salford UK**

**C. Contributions to Science**

**Author of 190 peer reviewed papers, 5 book chapters and 4 letters to Editor**