



MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION



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concluded between

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Preamble

By this Memorandum of Cooperation, the above-mentioned parties express their common interest in the development of mutual relations, consisting of the creation of conditions for the deepening of theoretical and practical skills. At the same time, both parties commit themselves to mutual cooperation in the field of sustainability with emphasis on education, research as well as the third role of universities and the promotion of activities.

Article 1

Subject matter of the Memorandum

- (1) In view of the abovementioned common interest, both parties confirm their willingness to cooperate to the best of their abilities and to the extent of their legal authority, particularly in the following areas of mutual cooperation:
- a) sustainable development and green skills development
 - communication of the topic to relevant target groups, promotion;
 - mentoring and consultations (development of a new curriculum, courses focused on sustainability, etc.);
 - the possibility of mutual participation in lectures, conferences and other events at both institutions;
 - sharing and providing expertise and data where appropriate;
 - creating a standard of sustainability and social responsibility in the Czech and foreign environment;
 - other activities agreed by both parties;
 - b) exchange of experience and knowledge, transfer of information and mutual communication on green skills and other topics of common interest;
 - c) cooperation at the education level and sharing statistical data;
 - d) cooperation on joint projects promoting mutual development in the field of sustainability.
- (2) Both parties hereby declare their free will to cooperate with each other in the preparation and implementation of specific projects or contributions for this purpose, being aware that the activities of one party shall in no way detrimentally impact the other party.

Article 2

Rights and obligations

- (1) Both parties will work together to achieve these objectives, but always within their current capabilities (time, financial, personnel, etc.). The precise scope of the cooperation will always be specified and, where appropriate, supported by either a verbal or written agreement.
- (2) Areas of cooperation may be extended beyond those defined in Article 1 by mutual agreement.
- (3) Both parties agree to undertake the commitment to refrain from any action that may impede the achievement of the purpose of this Memorandum as stated in its preamble and specified in Article 1.
- (4) Both parties are obliged to keep each other informed of all facts relevant to the purpose of this Memorandum.
- (5) Both parties undertake to keep each other informed of major changes in the organisations' operations and any changes in plans and projects.
- (6) Both parties undertake to keep each other informed of events, seminars, workshops and other formats suitable for cooperation between the parties.
- (7) The specific projects representing the financial evaluation will first be discussed at working meetings between the authorised representatives of the parties involved and once mutually agreed, will then be the subject of separate agreements (hereinafter as 'contracts and orders') concluded between the parties involved. The specific rights and



obligations arising for the parties involved will always be regulated within the framework of these contractual relations.

- (8) Both parties involved are obliged to act at all times in the implementation of the mutual cooperation with regard to preserving the reputation of the other party.
- (9) The participating parties acknowledge that their collaboration under this memorandum does not entail any mutual financial obligations.

Article 3

Duration of the Memorandum

- (1) This Memorandum is concluded for an indefinite period.
- (2) Either party may terminate the declaration by written notice without giving any reason, delivered to the other party, provided that the notice period is one month and begins on the first day of the calendar month following the delivery of the notice. The termination of this agreement shall not affect the validity and effectiveness of the implementation agreements already concluded.
- (3) The Memorandum may also be terminated by agreement of both parties.

Article 4

Protection of confidential information

- (1) The partners declare that they will maintain confidentiality in relation to information that they learn in connection with the conduct of the other party's business or in connection with the clients, employees, and associates of the company, in particular, they will be obliged to maintain the confidentiality of all personal data of natural persons within the meaning of Act No 110/2019, on the processing of personal data, in accordance with EU Regulation 2016/679 (GDPR), as well as security measures, the disclosure of which would jeopardise the security of personal data, with each such piece of information being marked as confidential.. This obligation shall apply until the data protected by this provision becomes public knowledge or until a party is obliged to disclose such data to a third party under the regulation or such obligation is imposed by an authority empowered to do so by the regulation.

Article 5

Final arrangements

- (1) Unless otherwise agreed in the frameworks of individual activities, the partners shall deal with each other exclusively through the above-mentioned contact persons.
- (2) This Memorandum does not limit or exclude the ability of either partner to enter into agreements with other partners.
- (3) The parties agree that, in order to achieve the objectives set out in this Memorandum, they will take a cooperative approach in all areas relevant to such objectives.
- (4) The Memorandum shall be drawn up in two duplicates, each having the nature of an original, of which each of the two parties receives one copy.
- (5) This Memorandum shall enter into force and take effect on the date it is signed by both parties.

In Rome on 26 May 2025

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