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Cabinet of Ministers
of Ukraine

Memorandum of Understanding on cooperation

between the College of Europe in Natolin

and

the Government of Ukraine

on further development of cooperation in educational activities and enhancing the sustainability of the Natolin4Capacity Building programme

Taking into account the strategic course of Ukraine to gain membership in the European Union as enshrined in its Constitution,

Having in mind the application for membership of Ukraine in the European Union and the subsequent positive opinion of the European Commission, the European Council and the European Parliament,

Taking into account the necessity to further develop the capacity of Ukraine for the whole process of the European integration of Ukraine

Noting the need to create a national capacity to provide training, build capacity and contribute to development of civil servants, who operate in the sphere of the European integration in Ukraine, including the process of negotiations,

Recalling establishment of the President's University of Ukraine as innovative education and research institution,

Having in mind the intention to establish the European College within the President's University in Ukraine,

Guided by the highly satisfactory experience in cooperation between the College of Europe in Natolin and the Government of Ukraine in implementation of various educational and research activities in the last several years,

Emphasising the high presence of Ukrainian students amongst the student body of the College of Europe in Natolin, made possible by the financial scheme offered by the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs,

Recalling the expertise of the College of Europe in Natolin in the field of European Union's Neighbourhood strategies accumulated over several years of the activities of the European Neighbourhood Policy Chair and the European Civilisation Chair, including the 4-years research project on the 3 revolutions in Ukraine ("3R"),

Highlighting the excellent cooperation between the College of Europe in Natolin and the Government of Ukraine in professional trainings of civil servants, notably in the framework of the Natolin4Capacity Building programme,

the College of Europe in Natolin,

and

the Government of Ukraine,

desirous to develop and further strengthen bilateral cooperation have agreed the following:

Article 1

1. The College of Europe in Natolin, with the seat at 84 Nowoursynowska Str., 02-797 Warsaw, Poland (National Court register number: 0000148214), and the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, with the seat at Ukraine, 01008, Kyiv, 12/2 Hrushevsky Str., will collaborate on:

- a) expansion of the Natolin4Capacity Building programme, with the aim of enhancing its long-term sustainability,
- b) an educational project dedicated to development of a European integration faculty at a higher education institution in Ukraine as of 1 September 2023, which will:
 - provide education, training and research on the topic of European integration,
 - organise conferences, seminars as well as study visits to the College of Europe in Natolin, to EU Member States, and the European Institutions.

2. Oversight will be done through Board established with Natolin4Capacity Building Project.

3. The targets groups of the activities would include beneficiary groups of the Natolin4Capacity Building programme, such as civil servants, the diplomatic service, representatives of regional authorities.)

4. Both Parties may jointly decide to include other beneficiaries in the target group, for example representatives of media, academic, student, etc.)

Article 2

The College of Europe in Natolin and the Government of Ukraine will continue collaboration on transformation of the educational project, including lessons learned and the findings of the Natolin4Capacity Building programme, into a fully fledged European integration faculty, to be further developed into the

European College to be set up for an indefinite period of time and to be operating in cooperation and in coordination with the College of Europe in Natolin.

Article 3

The particular initiatives for cooperation under Article 1 of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be agreed between both Parties in written form (by letters, also in electronic format, or other, as appropriate).

Article 4

Both Parties agree that the present Memorandum does not constitute a commitment for funding by either Party for any of the activities referred to in Article 1. Such commitment and the distribution of costs for each joint undertaking will be subject to a separate agreement between the Parties.

Article 5

1. Both Parties undertake to seek both jointly and in an individual manner the financial resources that would allow for design and implementation of the activities to be agreed by the Parties in accordance with Article 3.
2. The possible sources of financial resources should comply with the policies on external funding of both Parties.

Article 6

This Memorandum of Understanding will be implemented in accordance to laws and regulations that are in effect in the countries of both Parties.

Article 7

Both Parties shall assign, and notify to each other, the responsible members of staff designated for the purpose of implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding.

Article 8

Any amendments to the Memorandum will be done in written form only, by agreement of both Parties.

Article 9

1. The present Memorandum does not affect the status of the Parties or create any legally binding rights or obligations on the Parties.

2. Any disputes related to implementation of the Memorandum will be resolved in good faith and by mutual agreement of both Parties.

Article 10

1. The memorandum will enter into force on the day of its signature for unlimited duration.
2. Each Party may renounce the Memorandum by notifying the other Party in writing, with 30-days' notice.

The memorandum has been signed in two identical copies, in English in Warsaw, Poland and in Kyiv, Ukraine on the date of July 27, 2022.

For the College of Europe in Natolin

For the Government of Ukraine

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