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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

THE INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES- SKOPJE,

and

EUROPEAN ALTERNATIVES, PARIS

and

INSTITUTE FOR PHILOSOPHY AND SOCIAL THEORY, UNIVERSITY OF BELGRADE

and

CENTER FOR ADVANCED STUDIES - SOUTHEAST EUROPE, UNIVERSITY OF RIJEKA

on

shared resources and exchange in the fields of international policy analysis, advocacy, social engagement and re- conceptualising an open and democratic vision for an enlarged Europe.

This Memorandum of Understanding is intended to promote international cooperation between

- the Institute of Social Sciences and Humanities-Skopje (ISSHS), located in Skopje, North Macedonia, ul. "20 oktombri" br. 8 - floor 2, 1000 Skopje, scientific and higher education non-profit institution, represented by Prof. Katerina Kolozova, Ph.D., Executive Director of ISSHS,
- European Alternatives, non-profit association located in Paris, France, 16 Rue boursault, Paris 75017, and represented by Niccolò Milanese, Director of European Alternatives,
- Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade, located in Belgrade, Serbia, Kraljice Natalije 45, 11000 Belgrade, and represented by Gazela Pudar Draško, Ph.D., Director, and



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- the Center for Advanced Studies Southeast Europe, University of Rijeka, located in Rijeka, Croatia, Trg braće Mažuranića 10, represented by Prof. Snježana Prijic Samaržija, Ph.D., Rectoress and Prof. Sanja Bojanić, Ph.D., Executive Director

recognizing the benefits to their respective organisations/institutions from the establishment of organisational/institutional links, hereby agree to enter into this MoU for the following purpose.

1. PURPOSE OF MoU

The purpose of this MoU is to establish minimum grounds for possible future cooperation in the fields of political and policy analysis, advocacy, and social engagement in Europe beyond the borders of any given nation/state to create a new vision for a just and unified Europe, establish collaborative links between the organisations/institutions to this MoU. The formats of cooperation, the time and the scope remain open and subject to more specific agreement whereas this MoU is an expression of mutually shared good will to cooperate.

2. AREAS OF COOPERATION

Subject to the availability of funds, resources, and approval of the authorised representatives both institutions agree to invest efforts to establish collaborative activities in the following areas:

- Engage collaboratively in applied (policy) analysis as well as academic in-depth research concerning topics including amongst others: European politics; geopolitics and planetary politics; inter- cultural relations; gender, migrant and minority rights; and just ecological, social, and economic change.
- Work together in direct political and policy advocacy
- Through social engagement, promote and encourage free and politically responsible societies and democratic practice that allows for social and economic justice, as well as improving intercultural relations and working toward greater gender equality
- Work towards creating a vision of Europe that is just and unified
- Organisation of international meetings, conferences, workshops, and outreach events
- Free and open exchange of information, ideas and results from various analyses, and publications
- Search for opportunities to collaborate in the future

Academic forms of collaboration

- Conducting joint research and development projects
- Cooperation in individual projects



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- j) Organization of lectures, symposia, international meetings, conferences, summer schools and workshops
- k) Exchange of researchers and students
- l) Exchange of information, teaching materials, technological and scientific publications
- m) Providing opportunities for professors and researchers to give lectures
- n) Search for opportunities to collaborate in the future.

3. IMPLEMENTATION

- a) Bilaterally: Programs or activities implemented under the general terms of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be mutually agreed upon in writing in the form of separate agreements and/or contracts, including the necessary budget for the program of activity as need may arise.
- b) Multilaterally: Programs or activities implemented under the general terms of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be multilaterally agreed upon in writing in the form of agreements and/or contracts signed within and carried out by a Network of organisations comprised of the signatories but not reduced to them, to be established should the conditions emerge and fundamental requirements for such an initiative allow it.

4. DURATION AND RENEWAL OF MoU

This Memorandum of Understanding will become effective immediately after signature by the representatives of the organizations/institutions and is subject to revision or modification by mutual agreement.

5. TERMINATION OF THE VALIDITY OF THE MoU

This MoU may, at any time during its period of validity, be terminated by the partie(s) upon prior notice to the other parties in writing not later than 15 days before termination date, provided that such termination shall not affect the completion of any program or activity underway, subject to future agreement and contracts regulating the activity. Any of the parties may unilaterally terminate the collaboration subject to this MoU at any time during its valid period, with prior written notice to the other parties not later than 15 days before the termination date. Such termination will not disrupt the continuation of ongoing programs or activities, as long as any ongoing programs or activities are subject to the existing/future agreements and contracts that govern the said activities. Furthermore, if the remaining parties mutually agree, this MoU may remain in force for those remaining parties even after termination.



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For: ISSHS,
Prof. Katerina Kolozova, Ph.D., Executive
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Skopje, Republic of North Macedonia

Name and signature of representative
Katerina Kolozova

Date: 22/08/2023



For: European Alternatives
Niccolò Milanese, Director
Paris, France

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