



Memorandum of Understanding
between the
European Center for Peace and Development
of the University for Peace est. by the United Nations, ECPD
and the
European University for Peace, Justice, and Inclusive Societies, EUPeace

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made on DATE (30/09/2024) by and between

Professor Jonathan Bradley, President of the Executive Board of The European Center for Peace and Development of the University for Peace est. by the United Nations, hereinafter referred to as ECPD, residing at Terazije 41, 11000 Belgrade, Serbia, on behalf and in representation of ECPD, in Belgrade, Serbia

and

- PHILIPPS-UNIVERSITAET MARBURG (UMR) established in BIEGENSTRASSE 10, MARBURG 35032, Germany,
- JUSTUS-LIEBIG-UNIVERSITAET GIESSEN (JLU) established in LUDWIGSTRASSE 23, GIESSEN 35390, Germany,
- UNIVERSITE DE LIMOGES (UNILIM) established in 33 Rue François Mitterrand, Limoges 87032, France,
- UNIVERSITA DELLA CALABRIA (UNICAL) established in VIA PIETRO BUCCI 7/11/B, ARCAVACATA DI RENDE 87036, Italy,
- UNIVERSIDAD PONTIFICIA COMILLAS (COMILLAS) established in CALLE ALBERTO AGUILERA 23, MADRID 28015, Spain,
- ZAPADOCESKA UNIVERZITA V PLZNI (UWB) established in UNIVERZITNI 8, PILSEN 301 00, Czechia,
- UNIVERSITY OF MOSTAR (SUM) established in Trg Hrvatskih velikana 1, Mostar 88000, Bosnia and Herzegovina,
- UNIVERSITY OF CUKUROVA (CU) established in ADANA 01330, Türkiye,
- UNIVERZITET U SARAJEVU (UNSA) established in OBALA KULINA BANA 7, SARAJEVO 71000, Bosnia and Herzegovina,

constituting together the European University for Peace, Justice, and Inclusive Societies (EUPeace) represented by PHILIPPS-UNIVERSITAET MARBURG (UMR), itself represented by Prof. Dr. Evelyn Korn, Deputy President of PHILIPPS-UNIVERSITAET MARBURG in her capacity as Chair of the Governing Board of EUPeace.

The parties hereto mutually recognise each other's legal capacity to enter into this MoU.





Whereas

First. Created in pursuance of UN General Assembly Resolution 35/55 in 1980, UPEACE, the parent university of ECPD, has been training leaders for peace for the past four decades. It is a unique global academic institution with over 6,000 Alumni hailing from more than 120 nations working for peace on a global scale.

Second. The basic aims of ECPD are to preserve human potential, to bring together the intellectual potentials of the West and East and to promote cooperation between the North and South. To this end, the ECPD is conducting the following activities: organization of postgraduate studies at Specialist, Master, and Doctoral levels, development and elaboration of research projects and studies, organization of international conferences and meetings, and publishing activity.

Third. – EUPeace, as an Alliance, has the mission to bring together its entire academic communities to develop knowledge, competence and innovative approaches to foster peace, justice, and inclusive societies.

Fourth. –

4.1. The Rector of the University for Peace of the United Nations, Dr Francisco Rojas Aravena, the Executive Director of the European Center for Peace and Development University for Peace est. by the United Nations, Prof. Dr. Negoslav Ostojic, and the representative of the European University for Peace, Justice, and Inclusive Societies, EUPeace, Prof. Laurent Bourdier met in Belgrade on 29 October 2023, and the President of the Executive Board of the European Center for Peace and Development, Prof. Jonathan Bradley met the Governing Board of EUPeace in Sarajevo on 13 April 2024. They view with regret and pain the growing number of conflicts in various countries of the world.

4.2. They agree that joining efforts for fostering a culture of Peace is an essential and urgent tool in the field of education, and in fostering in the young generation the values of inclusion, social justice, dialogue and tolerance, and international law as the basis of international relations.

4.3. They consider that the loss of a democratic multilateralism, and the advent of an unregulated multipolar world is bringing tensions on which to educate about its negative impact is a common concern.

4.4. They finally also share the view that is urgent and necessary to create as many exchanges as possible between all continents and regions, for the creation of global citizens, able to face the challenges of our time.

Fifth. – Due to their mutual interests and corporate aims, they consider it fitting to set up a collaboration framework within which their teaching, methodological and technical resources can be utilized and developed, as well as a practical framework within which activities and studies related to problems and issues of mutual interest might be undertaken together with educational cooperation programmes whereby the training of future professionals and the recycling of those in employment might be provided through internship programmes for students, undergraduate and postgraduate courses and any other activities deemed to be suited to these ends.





Whereby it is agreed as follows

First. –

1.1. The two entities declare that their commitment to the cause of education to Peace will be enhanced by a joint cooperation, each entity maintaining its identity and its programmes, and procedures of action.

1.2. The general areas of collaboration, not excluding others which might eventually be deemed of interest, are the following:

- educational and academic cooperation,
- research projects and studies on social problems,
- technological research and development projects,
- research projects and technological development,
- development cooperation in/with developing countries,
- European collaboration programmes.

1.3. ECPD will join this common effort, both by providing its High Sponsorship to EUPeace, and by joining EUPeace as an Associated Partner. This High Sponsorship will be of moral nature and will not require any change in the norms of governance of EUPeace.

1.4. ECPD and EUPeace will establish a programme of cooperation and exchanges, that will be of mutual benefit for both parties.

1.5. ECPD will welcome students from EUPeace on Masters courses in its headquarters, offices, centers, and affiliated universities, in a formula to be further detailed.

1.6. ECPD will grant fee discounts of at least 30% for subjects such as International Law, Peace and Conflict, Economic Diplomacy, Environmental Management, and Global School of Health to students from EUPeace.

1.7. EUPeace will support the development of joint research initiatives, projects and studies, especially through its Research Hubs and other activities in the areas of research and doctoral studies.

1.8. All parties will support the development of staff exchanges within the framework of conferences and academic events and will explore the possibility of a structured staff exchange programme.

Second. –

2.1. The specific activities carried out under this MoU shall be further defined in specific agreements subscribed by the persons appointed as those responsible for their execution. ECPD may conclude bilateral agreements with individual member universities of EUPeace.

2.2. The specific agreements, whatsoever their nature and objectives, shall lay down the obligations and technical, material and financial commitments of the parties, and, where necessary, the rights to intellectual and industrial property regarding the results achieved. These specific agreements shall also define the bodies and institutions to which the parties will have recourse in order to resolve the conflicts which might arise through the application of the agreement.





Third. –

3.1. All parties, following the procedures which shall be laid down in due time, undertake to set up fluid channels of communication which enable each party to be informed of the activities being carried out by the other concerning this MoU with a view to achieving objectives more effectively.

3.2. Each entity will designate a delegate for the dialogue, and for the advancement of further cooperation.

Fourth. – The ECPD UPEACE logo and symbols, as well as the EUPeace logo and symbols may only be used with the express written permission of the respective party. This applies to any form of use, including but not limited to banners, posters, symbols, printed materials, memorabilia, clothing, etc.

Fifth. – This MoU shall be monitored and evaluated on behalf of ECPD by its International Academic Council, and on behalf of EUPeace by the EUPeace Steering Committee.

Sixth. – DATA PROTECTION

6.1. The parties undertake to comply with current legislation on the protection of personal data and to adopt the relevant measures for the protection of personal data in accordance with the provisions of Regulation (EU) 2016/679, Organic Law 3/2018 of 5 December on the Protection of Personal Data and Guarantee of Digital Rights and its implementing regulations.

6.2. The personal data provided by the parties referring to the contact persons or signatories shall be processed for the purpose of managing the relationship formalised between them, the legitimate basis for the processing being the execution of this contract. The data provided shall not be passed on to third parties, unless legally obliged to do so. The data subject may exercise his or her rights of access, rectification, erasure, objection, limitation of processing, data portability and, where appropriate, the right not to be subject to automated decisions, by writing to the address of the parties indicated in this MoU.

6.3. The parties shall regulate in the specific agreements that, where appropriate, they may sign the relevant documentation for the processing of personal data that may arise from the particular actions carried out under this MoU.

Seventh. – INDEMNITY

7.1. No party shall be liable to the other party or its servants, agents, employees or any other person or legal entity associated with the business of the other party for any loss, injury or damages which may be sustained as a result of this MoU, unless there is negligence on the part of that party.

7.2. The parties hereby indemnify and hold harmless the other party against any claim, liability, loss, proceedings, expense and costs of whatsoever nature, save and to the extent caused by the negligence or intentional act(s) (whether direct or indirect, consequential or otherwise).





Eighth. – CONFIDENTIALITY AND PROTECTION OF DATA OF A PERSONAL NATURE

8.1. The parties acknowledge that any information disclosed by or on behalf of any of the parties which is not in the public domain is confidential and may not be used or disclosed to any other party (whether before or after the termination of this MoU) for any reason whatsoever save as strictly necessary for the due and effectual collaboration under this MoU.

8.2. To the extent not inconsistent with the laws governing the respective institutions, each institution agrees to hold all records and personal data relating to participants securely and confidentially in accordance with current laws in matters of confidentiality and protection of data of a personal nature in each of the countries involved in this MoU and to only use such records or personal data as is necessary in connection with the administration of the programme. Each institution agrees to notify the other of any unauthorised use or disclosure of any records or personal data of a participant in the programme.

8.3. Subject to compliance with applicable data protection and privacy law, each party will use reasonable efforts to notify the other upon becoming aware if the health, safety, or well-being of a participant is called into question.

8.4. The parties must comply with the laws applicable data protection and privacy law governing the respective institutions.

Ninth. – DURATION OF MOU

9.1. This MoU will be in effect as of the date of last signature by the parties and be in force for 5 (five) years and shall be automatically extended for the same periods of time if 3 (three) months before the expiry of the MoU, neither party notifies the other in writing of its intention to terminate the MoU. The MoU may be terminated by either of the parties by giving three months' notice with the commitment to finalise the projects pending completion at the time.

9.2. This MoU will be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the countries in which the institutions are located.

Tenth. – CHANGES TO THE MOU

This MoU may be modified, amended, or renewed by written consent of the parties signing below or by their legitimate successors.

Eleventh. – DISPUTES

The parties agree to settle amicably any dispute arising from or in connection with this MoU. In the event that the disagreement cannot be resolved, the parties agree to submit the dispute to formal mediation before a neutral mediator selected by mutual agreement of the Institutions.





The text block contains two handwritten signatures in blue ink. The first signature is a stylized 'C' followed by 'Bo'. The second signature is 'Ker'. To the right of the signatures is a circular stamp with the text 'EUROPEAN CENTER FOR PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT' around the perimeter and 'ECPD' in the center.



In witness whereof, the parties hereto have executed this MoU as of the dates set forth below:

On behalf of **EUPeace**
and representing its Governing Board

On behalf of **ECPD**
and representing its Executive Board

Prof. Dr. Evelyn Korn
Chair of the Governing Board of EUPeace
Deputy President of Marburg University

Prof. Dr. Jonathan Bradley
President of the Executive Board of ECPD

Date: 04.12.24

Date: 30/9/2024