

## Agreement of Cooperation

**between the City of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and the City of \_\_\_\_\_,  
Finland (hereinafter referred to as “the Parties”)**

Given the mutual will to increase the friendship and understanding between the Parties, within the framework of the competences;

considering the mutual interest in further deepening, strengthening and widening cooperation between the Parties;

aiming at deepening friendly cooperation between the two cities and developing bilateral relation based on equality, trust and mutual benefit,

have agreed as follows:

### Article 1

The Parties undertake to develop joint activities and promote mutual cooperation in the areas within their competence, as well as the areas subject to coordination, in accordance with the current legislation applicable to both Parties to the Agreement.

*or*

The Parties undertake to develop joint activities and promote mutual cooperation in the areas within their competence, as well as the areas subject to coordination, in accordance with the current legislation applicable to both Parties to the Agreement, in particular in the areas of:

- environmental protection
- youth and education
- culture
- sports
- regional development
- agriculture



- cooperation between city administrations
- etc

## **Article 2**

The Parties will create favourable conditions and support the development of mutual cooperation and to this end will facilitate the exchange of contacts, information and experience.

The Parties will support the organisation of joint projects, seminars, events representing the regions of the Parties and promote the exchange of experts, experience, labour and training internships.

*or*

The Parties will create favourable conditions and support the development of mutual cooperation in the areas referred to in Article 1 and to this end will facilitate the exchange of contacts, information and experience.

The Parties will support the organisation of joint projects, seminars, events representing the regions of the Parties and promote the exchange of experts, experience, labour and training internships.

*and/or*

The Parties will facilitate the establishment of relations between research institution, cultural institutions, tourist organisations, educational facilities, creative associations and other associations and foundations operating in their territories.

*and/or*

The Parties will support mutual cooperation between schools under their administrative or constituent jurisdiction, as well as joint cooperation projects between secondary schools, student exchange and teacher training.

*and/or*

The Parties will support the development of tourism and the implementation of joint tourism projects, as well as the exchange of experience and good practice in order to improve skills and awareness of tourist attractions in both regions.

### **Article 3**

Each Party is responsible for covering the expenses arising from their actions in order to execute this Agreement.

### **Article 4**

Amendments to this Agreement will be subject to the mutual written consent of the Parties in the form of Annexes to this Agreement.

### **Article 5**

Each Party will refrain from taking any action that may cause damage to the other Party.

### **Article 6**

Differences relating to the interpretation or execution of this Agreement will be settled amicably through direct consultations between the Parties.

### **Article 7**

The Parties will cooperate within the framework of this Agreement in accordance with the national legislation of \_\_\_\_\_ and the Republic of Finland and within the powers established by the national legislation of \_\_\_\_\_ and the Republic of Finland.

The Parties will inform each other in advance of changes in the national legislation which may affect the implementation of this Agreement.

### **Article 8**

This Agreement is concluded for an indefinite period.

Either Party has the right to terminate this Agreement. This Agreement will be terminated three months after one of the Parties has received written notice from the other Party of its intention to terminate the Agreement.

Termination of this Agreement will not impact the implementation of projects and programs approved in accordance to this Agreement and the implementation of partial agreements or contracts concluded under this Agreement which were not terminated at the time of termination of this Agreement, unless the Parties agree in writing or unless otherwise agreed.

Notwithstanding above said, neither Party will be liable for inadequate performance in fulfilling this Agreement, projects or programs to the extent this is caused by force majeure, such as but not limited to natural disasters, acts of war or terrorism, riots or internet disturbance.

## Article 9

This Agreements will enter into force on the date of signature by the authorized representatives of both Parties after the prior approval by the competent authorities of both Parties to this Agreement, if the legislation of \_\_\_\_\_ or the Republic of Finland requires such approval for the entry into force of this Agreement.

The Agreement is signed duplicate in English.

*or*

The Agreement is signed in two (2) originals, in \_\_\_\_\_ and Finnish language, both text being equally authentic.

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