MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

CHAMBER OF SURVEYORS AND CARTOGRAPHERS

KOMORA GEODETOV A KARTOGRAFOV

and

PUBLIC UNION „UKRAINIAN SOCIETY OF GEODESY AND CARTOGRAPHY“

ГРОМАДСЬКА СПІЛКА «УКРАЇНСЬКЕ ТОВАРИСТВО ГЕОДЕЗІЇ І КАРТОГРАФІЇ»

The Chamber of Surveyors and Cartographers (Komora geodetov a kartografov – KGK, hereinafter referred to as "KGK") and Public Union „Ukrainian Society of Geodesy and Cartography“ (hereinafter referred to as PU "USGC"), hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party", recognising their respective public interest, professional, regulatory, educational and representative roles in the fields of surveying, geodesy, cartography, geomatics, land management and geospatial information, and with the aim of strengthening long-term professional relations, mutual understanding and practical cooperation for the benefit of their members, the surveying profession, public authorities, clients and society, have entered into this agreement.

1. PURPOSE AND NATURE OF THE COOPERATION

1. The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as “MoU”) is to establish a general framework for dialogue, mutual support and cooperation between the Parties in areas of common professional interest.
2. The cooperation is based on good faith, collegiality, reciprocity, transparency, professional independence, and respect for the relevant national laws and internal regulations of the contracting parties.

2. COMMON OBJECTIVES

1. The Parties intend to pursue the following common objectives:
   a) to promote high professional, technical and ethical standards and to strengthen public confidence in surveying, geodesy, cartography and geospatial services,
   b) to facilitate the exchange of knowledge, professional experience, regulatory information, good practice and lessons learned,
   c) to improve understanding of the national frameworks governing professional authorisation, temporary or cross-border practice and recognition of professional qualifications,
   d) to support education, research and development, innovation, and to strengthen cooperation among academic institutions, public authorities and relevant private sector stakeholders,
   e) to develop joint initiatives and, where appropriate, coordinated professional contributions within European and international forums.

3. AREAS OF COOPERATION

1. The Parties may cooperate in any of the areas listed below:
   a) legislation, regulation and technical rules: exchange of information and expert opinions on draft laws, regulations, standards, specifications and European initiatives affecting surveying, cadastre, cartography, construction, real estate, land management and geospatial information. Any coordinated position remains subject to each Party's mandate and internal approval.
   b) professional qualifications and mobility: exchange of information on educational requirements, authorisation, guest or temporary practice of the profession, maintenance of professional competencies, and professional liability insurance, including practical support for cross-border professional mobility. This cooperation does not constitute or imply automatic mutual recognition of qualifications or professional rights.
   c) professional events and institutional exchange: reciprocal invitations to general assemblies, major conferences and professional meetings; exchange of speakers, experts and observers; and regular meetings of official representatives.
   d) education, research, innovation and digital transformation. Preparing bilateral or multilateral projects, research proposals, grant applications, and initiatives in collaboration with public authorities, universities, professional organisations, and international organisations.
   e) other areas of mutual interest on which the Parties have reached a written agreement.

4. FORMS OF COOPERATION

1. Cooperation may take one or more of the following forms:
   a) regular exchange of non-confidential professional information, publications, event calendars and relevant updates,
   b) joint organisation or mutual support of conferences, seminars, webinars, workshops, training courses, study visits and networking activities,
   c) establishment of joint working groups, expert panels or temporary task teams for agreed topics,
   d) joint preparation of studies, technical recommendations, guidance, publications, presentations or non-binding professional statements,
   e) exchange of experts and facilitation of contacts with relevant public, private and academic institutions,
   f) mutual communication and promotion of agreed activities through websites, newsletters, journals, social media and other channels,
   g) any other practical form of cooperation approved by the Parties.
2. Participation in any activity remains subject to available resources, internal approvals, applicable law and the specific conditions agreed for that activity.

5. FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE ARRANGEMENTS

1. Unless otherwise agreed in writing, each Party will bear its own costs and provide its own personnel, facilities and resources in connection with this MoU. No financial claim arises solely from the signature or implementation of this MoU.
2. Any activity involving fees, reimbursement, procurement, sponsorship, grants, external funding, transfer of funds or material financial commitments will require a separate written arrangement specifying the budget, responsibilities, approval procedures and financial controls.
3. Neither Party is authorised to incur expenditure, assume obligations, make representations or enter into commitments on behalf of the other Party.

6. LEGAL NATURE, DURATION, AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION

1. This MoU is a non-binding statement of mutual intent and is not intended to create enforceable contractual rights or obligations.
2. This MoU shall enter into force on the date of its signing.
3. The provisions of this MoU may be amended with the prior consent of both Parties. The amendment shall be confirmed by an exchange of correspondence between the Parties.

4. This MoU is renewed annually by tacit consent. It may be terminated by mutual agreement of both Parties or by either Party by giving written notice to the other Party three months prior to the proposed termination date.
5. This MoU is signed in two original copies, with each Party receiving one copy.

In Žilina, 28 October 2026

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