



### Memorandum of Understanding

Between the

### Global Campus of Human Rights

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# and the Turin Lawyers Association

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represented by Avv. Simona GRABBI, President

# The Global Campus of Human Rights, and the Turin Lawyers Association

**Reaffirming** the principles of universality, indivisibility, interrelatedness and interdependence of all human rights;

**Convinced** that – as stated in the Kofi Annan's report "In Larger Freedom" ( $\underline{A/59/2005}$ ) -"the rule of law and human rights are two sides of the same principle, the freedom to live in dignity",

**Considering** the overarching goal of the Global Campus of Human Rights - in its function of interdisciplinary centre of excellence for education, training, and research - to advance the promotion of human rights and democracy, including reaching out to the legal professionals as core actors in the implementation of human rights both at the national and international level;

Considering that the Lawyer's Association which is party to this agreement is committed to the promotion of all rule of law principles including pursuing and defending an independent, impartial judiciary; the presumption of innocence; the right to a fair and public trial without undue delay; a rational and proportionate approach to punishment; a strong and independent legal profession; equality of all before the law – and at the same time preventing and condemning arbitrary arrests; secret trials; indefinite detention without trial; cruel or degrading treatment or punishment; intimidation or corruption of legal practitioners.

# Hereby agree to the following:

#### Article 1 – Objective

Cooperation shall be carried out in the fields of interest to all parties – human rights, democracy, and the rule of law. Possible areas of cooperation include:

# 1. Training and Conferences

Cooperation to this end shall be pursued in particular through mutual assistance in the organisation of training courses and conferences having human rights and the rule of law as focus areas, including trainings organised by the Global Campus of Human Rights on the jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights, or the trainings and promotional events organised by the Turin Lawyers Association and focused on similar thematic areas.





Cooperation in this regard may include (not exhaustive list):

- (a) provision of patronage to the activities in question;
- (b) support of the Turin Lawyers Association towards the Global Campus of Human Rights in securing accreditation of the training activities which are the object of cooperation;
- (c) support of the Global Campus of Human Rights to the Turin Lawyers Association in offering discounted fees for the participation of its members to training activities which are the object of cooperation;
- (d) invitation / participation of representatives of the partner institutions for the opening addresses;
- (e) joint dissemination and promotion;
- (f) cooperation in the identification of potential trainers

# 2. Additional activities

Further cooperation among all parties in the areas of democracy, rule of law, human rights may be carried out in addition on the following activities or programs:

- (g) Exchange of expertise: exchange of academics, lawyers, legal experts;
- (h) Sharing of know-how;
- (i) Other promotional of academic activities which enhance the goals of this Memorandum.

### Article 2 - Modalities of cooperation

- This MoU does not create any financial obligation for any of its parties. Financial commitments will
  depend on the availability of funds and the previous approval of the competent governing bodies of
  the Global Campus of Human Rights and the Turin Lawyers Association which are party to this
  agreement.
- 2. The terms of cooperation for each activity implemented under this MoU shall be mutually discussed and agreed upon in writing by the parties prior to the initiation of that activity.
- 3. The parties shall join efforts to enhance mutual visibility, and utilise respective channels of advertising, logos, databases and promotional features for all joint activities developed.
- 4. For the duration of the MoU the parties can utilise the logos of the other, where relevant, to represent existing long-term cooperation, beyond the specific joint activities.
- 5. The parties agree to maintain regular contact with the aim, inter alia, to progressively review areas of cooperation and identify priorities and main lines of joint action.

### Article 3 - Entry into force

- 1. The present MoU will take effect from the date of signature by both parties.
- 2. The present MoU can be amended, at any time, upon formal request by one of the parties and written confirmation of the other party.
- 3. The MoU may be terminated by either party subject to sixty (60) days' written notice to the other party.





# On behalf of:

# Global Campus of Human Rights

Prof. Manfred Nowak, Secretary General

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Turin Lawyers Association

Avv. Simona Grabbi,

**President** 

(signature)

Date: 9/1/2020