



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN UNIVERSIDADE FEDERAL DA BAHIA - UFBA AND EPLO – EUROPEAN PUBLIC LAW ORGANIZATION

UNIVERSIDADE FEDERAL DA BAHIA – **UFBA**, a federal educational institution established at Rua Augusto Viana, s/n.°, Canela, Salvador - Bahia, Brazil, represented in this act by the Magnificent Rector, Prof. Paulo Cesar Miguez de Oliveira;

and EPLO – European Public Law Organization, an international organization established in 2007 and headquartered in Greece, located at 16 Achaiou st, Kolonaki, 10657, Athens, Greece represented by Ms Vicky Lykoura, Director General for Management of the EPLO ("EPLO")

hereafter collectively referred to as "parties", establish this Agreement, considering that it is in their best common interest to develop cooperation activities in their own areas.

1. OBJECT

The purpose of this Agreement is to establish cooperation between the parties involved, in order to develop academic, scientific and cultural activities.

2. GENERAL ASPECTS OF THE COLLABORATION

- 2.1. Both Parties hereby agree to be involved in the following activities as part of the collaboration established herein:
 - 2.1.1. The development of research and teaching projects.
 - 2.1.2. Maintaining technical cooperation
 - 2.1.3. Developing joint projects.
 - 2.1.4. Developing and implementing academic staff exchange programs





- 2.1.5. Developing and implementing student exchange programs
- 2.1.6. Exchange of relevant non-confidential documents and data.
- 2.1.7. Working towards the Joint Publication of materials
- 2.2. Research and teaching projects: The parties commit to cooperate in undergraduate and post-graduate level research and teaching programs, including but not limited to the one listed under clause 2.5.1, section "b", below.
- 2.3. **Technical cooperation**: The parties agree to establish cooperation systems for the planning and implementation of studies and projects in their areas of expertise.
- 2.4. **Joint projects** The parties agree to promote joint programs for studies and projects, and to encourage the creation of joint teams for the submission of applications for international funding programs.
- 2.5. **Academic staff exchange** The parties commit to promote the exchange of academic staff for teaching, research, advisory activities, and experience sharing.

2.5.1. UFBA hereby agrees to:

- promote the participation of ELGS professors in its lectures and activities:
- promote the participation of ELGS professors in the development and coordination of its seminars;
- 2.6. Student exchange and Scholarships: Both parties agree to promote student exchanges at undergraduate, graduate, or research levels, based on the principle of reciprocity, as well as scholarships for exchange students from the other party, in accordance with each party's availability.
 - 2.6.1. UFBA, observing the convenience and availability of resources, hereby agrees to:
 - provide full scholarships for ELGS students to participate in courses, programs or seminars.
 - provide full scholarships for ELGS students interested in enrolling in any post-graduate level courses offered by UFBA.

2.6.2. ELGS hereby agrees to:

- a. provide scholarships for students in MA in Governance;
- b. provide scholarships for students in LLM in EU Law;
- provide scholarship for students in MSt (Master of Studies)
- d. provide scholarships for students in LLM in International Economic Law;
- 2.6.2.1. The Scholarships offered by EPLO to UFBA students do not cover administrative expenses, which may automatically vary depending the course.





- **2.6.3.** Other scholarship projects and/or opportunities to be offered by either party in the future may be added to this agreement through amendments to the current agreement.
- **2.**6.4. The terms and conditions of any scholarships awarded by both parties may be listed in a Scholarship Contract to be signed by the student the scholarship is awarded to and both parties.
- 2.7. Exchange of relevant non-confidential documents and data: The parties will always ensure that they are mutually up-to-date and extensively informed about the development of every step related to the development of the collaboration and hereby commit to sharing non-confidential documents and data that may be of use to the other party.
 - If any confidential information is to be eventually shared by either party, both parties can agree to sign a Non-Disclosure Agreement with provisions of their choosing.
- 2.8 **Publications**: The joint production of documents will be encouraged, including that of scientific and technical papers that stem from the activities described in this Agreement for journals and scientific events.
- 2.9. Any academic cooperation projects developed within the scope of this document mustn't necessarily be established through Specific Agreements or Addendums and can be carried out as formally or as informally as each specific project's legal singularities require.

3. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Joint research activities that produce results that are subject to the protection of intellectual property should be considered in the Specific Agreements or Amendments to this Agreement. Both universities must work together to comply with their own specific Regulations

4. FUNDING

- 4.1 The parties involved are responsible for seeking the necessary financial support for the development of activities under this Agreement and the Specific Agreements or any amendments signed in the future.
- 4.2 Scholarships may be granted to mobility students under this Agreement, with due respect for the principle of reciprocity. The number, requisites, and general conditions concerning these scholarships will be set annually, taking into account the budget defined by each university.





5. INSURANCE

All participants enrolled in mobility programs must provide adequate and valid proof of health insurance for the whole of their mobility period, respecting the terms specified by the host institution before the start of the trip.

6. EFFECTIVE TERM, ALTERATIONS AND GOVERNING RULES

- **6.1.** This Agreement will become effective upon the date of its signature, and will be valid for a period of 5 years, after which it shall be automatically renewed for successive annual periods until terminated by either party upon not less than sixty (60) days' written notice prior to the expiration of the then current renewal term.
- **6.2.** During the term of this agreement, the intent to alter any provision herein established by either party must be notified to the other party 30 days in advance and must be agreed upon by both parties in writing.
- **6.3.** EPLO shall be governed in this cooperation agreement by its rules and regulations (international Treaty and EPLO Rules and Regulations).
- **6.4.** In the event of termination of the partnership, both universities will take all necessary measures to avoid any damages to themselves or others, and all ongoing actions must be executed to completion, even after the end of the collaboration.

The Parties execute Agreement in two (2) counterparts of equal content and form and for one single effect.

Paulo Cesar Miguez de Oliveira

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Rector

Universidade Federal da Bahia

Vicky Lykoura

Director General for Management of the EPLO

EPLO – EUROPEAN PUBLIC LAW ORGANIZATION

Date: April 28th, 2023.

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