Agreement on cooperation

Entered into on one side by

Name:

Municipality of Veszprém

Address:

9, Óváros tér Veszprém 8200

Registration number:

734202

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Bank account number:

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Bank:

OTP Bank Ltd.

Statistical code:

15734202-8411-321-19

Representative:

Gyula Porga (mayor)

Also referred to as:

City of Veszprém

on the other by

Name:

Municipality of Tartu

Address:

Raekoda, Tartu 50089

Registration number:

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Bank account number:

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Statistical code:

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Representative:

Urmas Klaas (mayor)

Also referred to as:

City of Tartu

(hereinafter also referred to as the Parties) on the date and in the place given below with the following content and on the following terms:

Areas of cooperation

Cities aspiring to the title of European Capital of Culture must highlight in their application where they are situated on the map of European art and culture. They must demonstrate their own culture and cultural heritage while also presenting their vision of what roles they wish to play in European and global processes.

The city selected for the title is not only an ambassador of its own culture but is also called on to showcase its national and regional heritage to Europe.

Beyond their own culture, Veszprém and Tartu represent their entire countries with the title of European Capital of Culture in 2023 and 2024, respectively. We would like to take joint advantage of the enormous possibilities that have opened up to us through Europe's most valuable cultural initiative.

Bearing in mind the aims of the ECOC programme, the cooperating cities strengthen their commitment to preserving and stimulating the diversity of European cultures and also to emphasising common features. The latter involves strengthening and stimulating in citizens a feeling of belonging to the same cultural space in order to secure the long-term development of the cities in accordance with the strategies and priorities existing in the region.

The Parties shall determine the specific target areas of their cooperation in accordance with the aims of the European Union as follows:

- a) they shall continue with the joint brainstorming that began during the preparation phase of the application and the goal of which is to develop and hopefully implement projects and programmes aimed at expanding the cultural offer, diversity and European dimension;
- b) they shall cooperate in making each other's cultural values in their own cities popular and available;
- c) they shall consciously help each other in strengthening the international features of their cities through culture;
- d) together they shall facilitate the launch of programmes aimed at broadening the availability of and involvement in culture; and
- e) in their cooperation they shall treat it as a priority to enhance the performance of culture and also to connect culture to other sectors.

The Parties are committed to making the most of creative and innovative abilities at the highest level. They are also engaged in strengthening sustainability and social acceptance and also in boosting the education and vocational training sector.

Signing this agreement reflects the intention of the Parties to continue their cooperation after the ECOC projects and programmes are completed.

Organisational framework of cooperation

In order to fulfil the tasks assigned within the agreement, the Parties shall nominate contact persons.

The contact persons to the agreement shall be:

On behalf of the City of Veszprém:

Name: Friderika Mike, Director of Programme Development and Foreign Relations, Veszprém-Balaton 2023 Plc.

Contact details: friderika.mike@2023veszprem.hu, 0036308489786

On behalf of the City of Tartu:

Name: Erni Kask, Leading Project Manager, Tartu 2024 – For European Capital of Culture

Contact details: erni.kask@raad.tartu.ee, +372 509 3270

Further provisions

Via their contact persons, the Parties shall cooperate in preparing professional materials for selected programme elements (based on a joint decision) including the proposals of their municipalities.

The Parties agree that this agreement does not imply any financial obligations. The Parties are obliged to discuss any concrete forms of cooperation in advance and to create a written document of cooperation in the event of incurring financial obligations.

This agreement has been entered into for an indefinite period and may be terminated at any time by mutual agreement in writing.

This document has been created in three identical copies. The Parties have read it, understood its content and accepted it and have approved it with their signatures of their own free will.

Veszprém, 28 September 2019

Municipality of Tartu

Urmas Klaas

Mayor

Municipality of Veszprém

Gyula Porga

Mayor