

**COOPERATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE MINISTRY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF UKRAINE
AND
THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION**

The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine (hereinafter as "MoIA") and the International Organization for Migration (hereinafter as "IOM") (also individually referred to as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties"),

realizing the importance of consolidating efforts in the development of potential and implementation of current joint programmes and projects in the fields of mutual interest,

taking note that IOM, committed to the principle that humane and orderly migration benefits migrants and society, acts to assist in meeting the operational challenges of migration, advance understanding of migration issues, encourage social and economic development through migration, and work towards effective respect of the human rights and well-being of migrants, as well as contribute to solving the operational challenges of migration,

taking into account that the tasks of the MoIA are: forming state policy in the spheres of protection of human rights and liberties, the interests of society and the state, countering crime, ensuring of public safety and order, as well as providing police services; protection of the state border and protection of the sovereign rights of Ukraine in its exclusive (maritime) economic zone; civil protection, protection of the population and territories from emergency situations and prevention of their occurrence, coping with emergency situations, rescue operations, fire extinguishing, fire and man-made safety, activities of accident and rescue services, as well as hydrometeorological activities; migration (immigration and emigration), including prevention of irregular migration, citizenship, registration of individuals, refugees and other legally defined categories of migrants,

considering the Agreement between the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and the International Organization for Migration on the Status of the International Organization for Migration in Ukraine and on Cooperation in the Field of Migration dated 03 December 1999,

agreed on the following:

Article 1

1. The Parties, in accordance with their respective mandates and subject to the available of resources, agree to cooperate in the following areas:

a) implementation of joint activities (projects, initiatives, meetings, seminars, conferences, public awareness campaigns, etc.);

b) improving policy and legislation and administrative regulation in the areas of migration, citizenship, asylum, integrated border management, readmission, countering human trafficking and migrant smuggling, and other areas of mutual interest;

c) enhancement of national capacities for effective migration and border management (training of officials, development of standard operating procedures, strengthening human resource management processes and systems, etc.);

d) conduct of surveys and research on cross-border migration trends, internal migration and displacement, and other topics of mutual interest, including data sharing and analysis;

e) strengthening of data security and cybersecurity;

f) protection of the rights of migrants and mobile populations and specific protection of vulnerable groups such as victims of trafficking, unaccompanied minors, persons with disabilities, and survivors of gender-based violence;

g) advancement of automatization/digitalization of migration and border management processes and practices including through the responsible use of biometrics and in line with international standards and good practices;

h) supporting the social adaptation and integration of war veterans, including but not limited to employees of the authorities of the MoIA system.

2. By mutual consent, the Parties may determine other areas of cooperation of interest to them.

Article 2

1. To ensure the successful implementation of this Agreement, the Parties, in accordance with their respective mandates and available resources:

a) provide (if necessary) ongoing consultations on the most effective methods of implementation of agreed areas for cooperation;

b) develop and implement joint programs and projects, participate in the implementation of local, all-Ukrainian and international initiatives;

c) cooperate on the basis of mutually agreed action plans.

2. Any specific joint activities, programs, projects, implementation plans within the scope of this Agreement must be agreed upon between the Parties, and corresponding written documents shall be drawn up.

Article 3

In order to implement this Agreement and to achieve its aims, the Parties may cooperate with other entities and organizations (regardless of their ownership, forms and subordination), invite individuals to cooperate and establish interim working groups, other auxiliary entities.

Article 4

1. The Parties shall treat as confidential all information, documents and knowledge expressly stated as confidential or internal, which they acquired during implementation of this Agreement.

2. The Parties shall avoid any actions that might cause damages to the other Party.

Article 5

1. This Agreement is concluded for an indefinite period and shall enter into force on the date of its signature by the duly authorized representatives of both Parties.

2. From the date of entry into force of this Agreement, the Agreement on Cooperation between the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine and the International Organization for Migration dated 14 September 2005 shall cease to be valid.

3. This Agreement may be terminated by either Party giving 1 (one) month written notice to the other Party prior to the expected date of termination.

Article 6

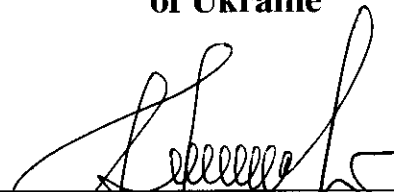
1. By mutual written consent of the Parties, changes and additions may be made to this Agreement, formalized by relevant protocols, which are an integral part of this Agreement.

2. Nothing in this Agreement affects the privileges and immunities of IOM as an intergovernmental organization.

3. Any disputes, controversies or claim arising out of or in relation to implementation of Agreement shall be settled in accordance with Article 5 of the Agreement between the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and the International Organization for Migration on the Status of the International Organization for Migration in Ukraine and on Cooperation in the Field of Migration dated 03 December 1999.


Done in Kyiv on 30 August 2023 in duplicate each in the Ukrainian and English languages, all texts being equally authentic.

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