



## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), dated 10.11.2021 serves to the discussion between we, **The Technical University of Sofia** – hereafter **TU – Sofia** 8 St. Kliment Ohridski Blvd., Sofia 1756, Bulgaria, duly incorporated under Decree of Foundation #237, dated October 15, 1945, existing pursuant to the Higher Education Law of Bulgaria and which is duly entered into the Public Registry BULSTAT under # 831917834, with legal representative **Prof. Dr. Eng. Georgi Venkov - Rector**

and

**National Technical University “Kharkiv Polytechnic Institute”** – hereafter **NTU “KhPI”** - 2 Kyrpychova str., 61002, Kharkiv, Ukraine, higher education institution of IV level of accreditation of public ownership form, subordinated to the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine, with legal representative **Prof. Dr. Eng. Yevgen Sokol - Rector**

each a “**Party**” and together the “**Parties**”.

In view of the mutual desire to develop further academic and research cooperation the **TU – Sofia** and **NTU “KhPI”** conclude the following agreement:

### I. Mutual Vision

Both parties share the vision and mission of the pivotal role that technology, the latest developments and innovations, and engineering studies play in economic development and growth and in forging an inclusive and sustainable technologically developed society.

### II. Purpose and Objectives

The Parties seek discussions to explore the possibility of working together. They have entered into this MOU to put structure on discussions and potential negotiations between the Parties in relation to potential collaboration by the Parties in academic, research, and technology and knowledge transfer areas of mutual interest. The focus and subject matter of the discussions is

- 2.1. Exchanging faculty, researchers, and other research and administrative staff.
- 2.2. Conducting collaborative research projects.



- 2.3. Conducting lectures and organising symposia.
- 2.4. Exchange of academic information, materials, and promoting other academic cooperation as mutually agreed.
- 2.5. Offering expertise and guidance to students and student startups, including training programs that provide hands-on experience and benefit from fresh talent and ideas.
- 2.6. Partnering in research initiatives, sharing knowledge and resources to advance scientific and technological frontiers.
- 2.7. Utilizing both parties facilities as a testing ground for new technologies and innovative ideas, benefiting from a controlled environment for development and refinement of research.

### III. Terms of the Memorandum

- 3.1. The present MOU is valid for 5 years since the date of signing. The validity of this agreement will be automatically prolonged for the next 5 years unless one of the parties gives to the other a formal written notice of withdrawal during the last 2 months of the validity period.
- 3.2. The Parties will, in good faith, from the date of this MOU, seek to actively progress and successfully conclude discussions and, if applicable, negotiations in respect of the proposed collaboration.
- 3.3. Each Party agrees that the discussions and, if applicable, negotiations are being undertaken on a non-exclusive basis and give rise to no commitment by either Party to enter into any binding agreement or contract with respect to the subject matter of the discussions, negotiations, or otherwise.
- 3.4. If the outcome of the initial discussions is positive, the proposed activities / services are not to be implemented until all internal approvals are obtained and a **formal Memorandum of Agreement or a legally binding document**, such as a contract, is signed by each Party.
- 3.5. This agreement does not lead to any financial obligation to any of the parties.
- 3.6. The financing of all joint activities should be negotiated in each particular case. Both institutions shall cooperate in solving problems concerning the financing of the cooperation.

#### IV. Final Provisions

4.1. All disputes arising between the parties and related to the interpretation and implementation of this agreement shall be solved in good faith through negotiations.

4.2. The present agreement has been drawn in English in two (2) copies, each copy being equally valid.

To control the fulfillment of the terms of this Agreement each Party shall appoint the Coordinator in charge of cooperation with the partner University. The Coordinator shall provide the other Party with the appropriate information required for the sound cooperation.

##### Coordinators:

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