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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

THE CZECH DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

AND

THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

AND

THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND SOCIAL PROTECTION
OF THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

CONCERNING

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROJECT

"SUPPORT FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RESTART REFORM IN MOLDOVA"

IN THE FRAMEWORK OF

DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

BETWEEN

THE CZECH REPUBLIC

AND

THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

PREAMBLE

1. Recalling the Agreement between the Government of the Czech Republic and the Government of the Republic of Moldova on Development Cooperation, signed in Chisinau on 23 November 2012 and in force since 18 April 2013, which provides the overarching framework for bilateral cooperation in this field, Recognizing that official development cooperation between the Czech Republic and the Republic of Moldova is based on the principles of partnership, efficiency and transparency, and contributes to the promotion of mutual political and economic relations between the two countries, Acknowledging the shared commitment of the Czech Republic and the Republic of Moldova to advancing social reforms and supporting Moldova's European integration path.

2. In accordance with Resolution of the Government of the Czech Republic No 535 of 14 June 2021 and the Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation between the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Czech Republic and the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection of the Republic of Moldova[1], the Czech Development Agency, the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Czech Republic (hereinafter "MoLSA") and the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection of the Republic of Moldova (hereinafter "MLSP") wish to co-operate on the project called "Support for the implementation of the RESTART reform in Moldova" (hereinafter the "Project"). For a summary of the Project, see Annex No 1 to this Memorandum of Understanding.

3. The Czech Development Agency, the MoLSA and MLSP seek to regulate their obligations leading to successful implementation of the Project through this Memorandum of Understanding.

4. The Czech Development Agency, the MoLSA and the MLSP agree to comply with this Memorandum of Understanding with due care and efficiency and will provide all information concerning the Project to each other. The Czech Development Agency, the MoLSA and the MLSP will discuss all matters that might arise within the context of this Memorandum of Understanding.

5. The Czech Development Agency has committed to:

5.1. Ensure Project funding in accordance with the resolution of the Government of the Czech Republic for respective years.

5.2. Cooperate with the MoLSA and with the MLSP regarding the implementation of the project activities and within the Decision Board.

6. The MoLSA has committed to:

6.1. Cooperate with the Czech Development Agency and the MLSP regarding implementation of the project activities and within the Decision Board.

6.2. Create a Decision Board for the Project consisting of a representative of the Czech Development Agency, the MoLSA and the MLSP who will together supervise the Project implementation, fulfilment of project outputs and discuss and decide on important Project

[1] The bilateral Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation between MoLSA and MLSP was signed on 5th December 2024.

aspects or necessary changes. The Project coordinator may also take part in the meetings of the Decision Board but will only have an advisory role.

6.3. Ensure Project management, expertise, performance, coordination and implementation of all activities as per the attached project activities description (Annex No 3 to this Memorandum of Understanding).

6.4. Work with the Decision Board on the hiring process for a local Project coordinator that will ensure proper and timely performance of project activities.

6.5. Consult and ensure approval of all technical specifications for procurement of goods and services by the Decision Board.

6.6. Manage all payments and international money transfers within the Project according to the budget (Annex No 4 to this Memorandum of Understanding). It will not be the responsibility of the MLSP.

7. The MLSP has committed to:

7.1. Cooperate with the Czech Development Agency and the MoLSA regarding the implementation of the project activities and within the Decision Board.

7.2. Respect and fulfil all the requirements and timeframe specified in the project outputs description in order to achieve the goals of the Project.

7.3. Facilitate the availability of office space and access to office supplies for Project staff as well as the use of copying, scanning, and printing services required in Moldova during the Project implementation in coordination with the project Participants.

7.4. Facilitate local transportation in Moldova for MoLSA project team, if necessary, during the Project implementation and in line with their programme, to be communicated beforehand to MLSP, in coordination with the project Participants.

7.5. Ensure cooperation of state authorities on different levels, in particular regarding the approval of new legislation and methodological procedures in connection with project activities.

7.6. Provide publicity for the project outputs in Moldova, according to the guidance given by the MoLSA or the Decision Board.

8. Special provisions.

8.1 The Czech Development Agency reserves the right to reconsider its participation in the Project its parts thereof in case the conditions necessary for the fulfilment of commitments under paragraph 7, including the adoption of relevant legislative norms and the establishment of financially sustainable solutions for the long-term outputs of the Project, are not ensured.

8.2. This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended at any time by written mutual consent of all participants. Such amendments may include, inter alia, provisions concerning possible contributions, adjustments of activities following decisions of the Decision Board, in line with the Project necessities and national procedures. All amendments shall follow the respective approval procedures in accordance with the legal framework of each participant.

9. All official communication between the Czech Development Agency, the MoLSA and the MLSP will be transmitted in written or electronic form in English or Romanian to the following addresses:

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10. The above-mentioned contacts may be changed by written notice.

11. This Memorandum of Understanding does not constitute an international treaty or legally binding agreement. It is only intended to set out the framework commitments of the Czech Development Agency, the MoLSA and the MLSP in relation to the implementation of the Project.

12. This Memorandum of Understanding will be applicable from the date of its signing to the date of the official termination of the Project, and may be supplemented or amended, if necessary, following an agreement between the Czech Development Agency, the MoLSA and MLSP.

13. All supplements and amendments must be made in written form.

14. The rules for the processing of personal data by the participants to this Memorandum of Understanding are described in Annex No 2 to this Memorandum of Understanding.

This Memorandum of Understanding has been signed as nine original counterparts in the English, Czech and Romanian languages, each language version in three copies. In case of translation disagreement, the English version prevails. Each participant will receive three original counterparts –in English, Czech and Romanian language.

On behalf of the Czech Development Agency

Signed in Chisinau

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Mr. Michal Minčev

Director

On behalf of the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Czech Republic

Signed in Chisinau

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Marian Jurečka

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Labour and Social Affairs.

On behalf of the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection

Signed in Chisinau

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Mr. Alexei Buzu

Minister of Labour and Social Protection