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## Cooperation Agreement

Between:

**Armed Forces Academy**

and

**National Authority on Electronic Certification and Cyber Security**

Education, research and training of students and academic staff in the field of cyber security

National Authority on Electronic Certification and Cyber Security represented by Prof. Assoc. Dr. Igli Tafa, and the Academy of the Armed Forces, represented by the Deputy Commander Colonel Bardhyl Nuredinaj, in implementation of their respective jurisdiction, agree to cooperate to promote multiple exchange in order to develop the educational program in the field of cyber security.

### **Article 1**

#### **Purpose**

"This agreement aims to regulate the cooperation between the parties, defining areas of cooperation and the general commitment of the parties, towards the realization in a second moment of specific agreements related to the areas of cooperation and exchange listed in Article 2 of this agreement".

### **Article 2**

#### **Object**

1. The object of this agreement is the cooperation and mutual support between the parties in the following areas:
  - a) The transfer of knowledge and technology through educational programs and the design of subject programs, applied research activities in the field of cyber security;
  - b) Application in projects and the development or organization of local and international trainings;
  - c) Organization of activities and events, conferences and joint tables for the exchange of ideas, also to raise public awareness about topics of interest in cyber security and cyber defense;

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- d) Organization of seminars, conferences, publications and various scientific activities;
  - e) Use of the premises, respectively, for practices, laboratories, seminars, conferences, etc;
  - f) Promotion of the parties within the activities of each partner.

### **Article 3**

#### **Commencement, Duration and Termination of Agreement**

1. This Cooperation Agreement enters into power on the date of its signature by both Parties.
2. This Cooperation Agreement is signed for an indefinite period and the Parties may terminate it at any time by notifying the other party in writing.
3. Activities that are in progress at the time the agreement is terminated will be terminated in accordance with the provisions of this agreement.

### **Article 4**

#### **Information on parties**

1. The National Authority on Electronic Certification and Cyber Security (hereafter NAECCS) is a public legal entity with headquarters in Tirana, dependent on the Prime Minister office, created by law no. 9880, dated 25.02.2008 "On Electronic Signature", amended and organized and operates according to the decision of the Council of Ministers no. 141, dated 22.2.2017 "On the organization and operation of the national authority for electronic certification and cyber security" amended by VKM no. 123, dated 1.3.2023.

2. The Armed Forces Academy (hereinafter AFA) was established in 1958 by Government Decision No. 136, dated 10 May, in Tirana, in the region of "Rrapi i Treshit". AFA is the only institution of higher education in the field of defense and national security, which has been given a special status by VKM No. 156, dated 19.02.2020 and is subordinate to the Minister responsible for defense and the Minister responsible for education.

### **Article 5**

#### **Joint commitments of the parties**

##### **1. Armed Forces Academy:**

- a. AFA engages in cooperation and participation in trainings, workshops, forums, national conferences, consultations, information campaigns, promotion and awareness, etc;
- b. AFA is committed, in cooperation with partners, to undertake all the necessary organizational initiatives and steps for projects, consultancy or initiatives agreed between the parties in implementation of the object of this agreement;
- c. AFA is committed to support and offer cooperation, making available the necessary support staff;

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d. The contact person will be:

*Dr. Gentia Hoxhallu*

2. National Authority on Electronic Certification and Cyber Security:

- a. NAECCS engages in cooperation and participation in trainings, workshops, forums, national conferences, consultations, information campaigns, promotion and awareness, etc;
- b. NAECCS is committed, in cooperation with partners, to undertake all the necessary organizational initiatives and steps for projects, consultancies or initiatives agreed between the parties in implementation of the scope of this agreement;
- c. NAECCS is committed to support and provide cooperation, making available the necessary support staff;

d. The contact person will be: Mrs.

*Oltyana Beci*

3. The parties jointly agree as follows:

- a. to organize meetings, according to the occasion and need.

#### **Article 6**

##### **Last provision**

1. Any dispute between the Parties regarding the interpretation and/or implementation of this Cooperation Agreement shall be resolved amicably through consultations and/or negotiations between them.
2. This agreement is drawn up in the Albanian language and signed in 2 (two) copies for each Party.
3. This Cooperation Agreement may be amended by mutual written agreement of the Parties.
4. An amendment to this Agreement shall enter into force on a date mutually determined by the Parties.

Taking into account the above definitions, the parties agreed:

**Armed Forces Academy**

**National Authority on Electronic Certification  
and Cyber Security**

