

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Scuola Superiore della Magistratura (School for the Judiciary) of the Republic of Italy
and

**the National Institute of Justice
of the Republic of Moldova**

the Scuola Superiore della Magistratura (School for the Judiciary) of the Republic of Italy

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hereinafter the **Parties**,

Acknowledging the importance of establishing long-term bilateral relationships with the aim of increasing the efficiency of the judicial training process and facilitating the exchange of best practices between the Parties,

Considering the necessity to ensure a multilateral training of the justice system's actors that would correspond to the identified training needs,

Recognizing the interest manifested by both institutions regarding the national judicial systems of each other, regarding the methods of elaboration of the initial and continuous judicial training plans and their implementation,

Emphasizing the opportunity to organize and conduct jointly training activities in strategic areas related to justice,

Acting in accordance with the applicable national legislation of each Party and within their competence,

Have agreed to **conclude the present Memorandum and will collaborate as follows:**

Article 1

The Principles of the Memorandum

In the implementation of the present Memorandum, the Parties will be guided by the following principles:

- a. collaboration and mutual assistance in order to achieve the objectives of this Memorandum in accordance with the normative acts that regulates the Parties activity;
- b. effective communication and coordination of actions in order to achieve the objectives of this Memorandum;
- c. consultation and support in developing activities in common.

Article 2
The goal and the objectives of the Memorandum

The goal of the present Memorandum is to establish a general cooperation framework between the Parties, for the realization of the following objectives:

- a. the promotion of a high quality training for judges, for candidates to the position of judge and other court staff;
- b. organization of joint events (forums, conferences, seminars, etc.) for the judiciary and those responsible for training and scientific research activities

Article 3
Collaboration forms

The Parties agree to cooperate in the process of the initiation, organization and development of the following activities:

- a. exchanges of experience, including study-visits and joint activities;
- b. conferences, workshops and common seminars, that will constitute a framework for discussions upon aspects related to fields of common interest for the Parties;
- c. with the consent of a Party, exchange of documents, results of the scientific researches, brochures and publications in the field of law and judicial training, analytical and conceptual materials, other documents and normative acts;
- d. public communication of the information on the progress and the results achieved within the partnership set by this Memorandum.

Article 4
Implementation of Tasks

The Memorandum creates a framework for cooperation. For the realization of the activities mentioned above, the Parties will appoint contact persons responsible for establishing the actions that will be conducted jointly on the basis of this Memorandum and monitoring their proper fulfilment.

Article 5
Financing

The Parties shall take the necessary steps to finance the activities provided for in this Memorandum. Funding conditions shall be determined on a case-by-case basis.

Article 6
Dispute settlement

All matters regarding the interpretation and application of the provisions of this Memorandum will be solved through consultations and negotiations based on the principles of respect and mutual understanding.

Article 5
Final provisions

This Memorandum shall enter into force on the date of its signing by both Parties and has indefinite terms.

Any modification and completion of the provisions of this Memorandum will be made by additional Act, signed by both Parties.

Each Party may unilaterally cancel this Memorandum, by notifying to the other Party its intention, in a written form, in term of 3 months before the date proposed for ending the collaboration.

In case of Memorandum's cease, its provisions are applied until the complete fulfilling of the programs and projects that were initiated and developed in common.

The Memorandum was signed on _____, in XX, in two copies, both in English. The Memorandum texts are identical and have equal authentic value.

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