MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION AND UNDERSTANDING IN THE FIELD OF METROLOGY AND CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT BETWEEN THE NATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CENTRE "INSTITUTE OF METROLOGY" AND THE CZECH METROLOGY INSTITUTE

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This Memorandum has been jointly developed by The National Scientific Centre "Institute of Metrology" (NSC "IM") and the Czech Metrology Institute (CMI), hereinafter referred to as the "Parties":

AIMING to create favorable conditions for the further development of activities and friendly relations between the Parties,

DESIRING to develop cooperation in the field of metrology based on the European and international best practices;

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the importance of cooperation in the scope of Legal Metrology for ensuring the traceability of measurement results to SI units in the following activities: trade and commercial operation and calculations between the buyer (consumer) and the seller (supplier, manufacturer, performer); in protection of life and health and environmental care, the assurance of workplace safety and accident prevention; the road traffic control and evaluation of the vehicle's technical control;

TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION:

- the need to permanently improve metrological services for the benefit of economic and scientific relations:
- the similarity of structures and the operational principles of their National Metrology Services;
- the willingness of Parties to cooperate more closely with international and regional metrology organizations;
- redefinition of base SI units under General Conference of Weights and Measures;

have agreed on the following:

Section I

Objective

The Participants share the view that objectives of cooperation under this Memorandum are:

- to support effective solutions to problems of the uniformity and required accuracy of measurements,
- to support implementation of new methods of metrological traceability in connection with the redefinition of SI base units,
- to support the harmonization of activities of Metrology Services on the basis of international arrangements,

- to cooperate in the sphere of Scientific, Industrial and Legal Metrology and trainings in the field of metrology;
- mutual recognition of the test results performed by Parties with the aim of type approval according to the national legislation.

Section II

Scope

Within the cooperation the Parties perform the following:

- information exchange, technical cooperation;
- training of specialists,
- interlaboratory comparisons,
- cooperation on recognition of the EU valid type approvals CMI issued by NSC "IM".

Specific measures according to the areas of cooperation and their implementation shall be agreed by the Parties in appropriate protocols, programs or work plans.

The Parties will be free to dispose of all information provided under this Memorandum, except when the Party providing this information has set limits or specific conditions for its use or dissemination. In any case, this information may not be passed on to a third party without the prior written consent of the other Party.

Section III

Financial Terms and Conditions

The Parties declare their willingness to bear, in compliance with relevant national laws and regulations, their own costs for the implementation of this Memorandum. All activities implemented in connection with this Memorandum are subject to budgetary availability of the Parties.

The financing necessary for providing the cooperation will be determined by each Party according to their possibilities and mutual interest in the specific cooperation plans agreed upon by them.

Section IV

Revision of the Memorandum

The Parties shall regularly monitor the effectiveness of the implementation of the provisions of the Memorandum.

Amendments to this Memorandum may be made in writing, with the consent of the Parties, by the conclusion of definite protocols, which shall be an integral part of this Memorandum.

Any disputes that may arise between the Parties regarding the implementation of this Memorandum will be resolved through negotiations between the Parties.

Section V

Validity Period

This Memorandum shall come into force from the date of its signature by the Parties and shall remain in force for any period.

The validity of this Memorandum may be terminated at any time by each Party, which shall be notified in writing to the other Party. In this case, the validity of this Memorandum will be terminated sixty (60) days after the date of receipt of such notification. Termination of the validity of this Memorandum will not affect activities and projects that have already been completed or have been initiated but have not been completed at the time of its termination.

Signed in Kharkiv, Ukraine, on 5th of September, 2019 in 2 (two) original copies in the English language, 1 (one) for each side.

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