

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between:

The **Artificial Intelligence Skills Alliance** project
(hereinafter referred to as "ARISA project"),

and

The **[Name of ARISA Associated Partner]**
(hereinafter referred to as "ARISA Associated Partner")

(hereinafter referred to individually as "a Party" or collectively as "the Parties")

PREAMBLE:

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is set up between the ARISA project and ARISA Associated Partner, whereas:

A. ARISA project is an EU-funded project coordinated by DIGITAL EUROPE AISBL under the grant agreement n° 101056236 – ARISA – ERASMUS-EDU-2021-PI-ALL-INNO to support the implementation of the Pact for Skills by developing a sectoral skills strategy on AI.

B. ARISA Associated Partner is a stakeholder in the field of Artificial Intelligence skills cooperation.

C. The Parties have common interests to enhance further their cooperation on artificial intelligence skills development, related activities to skill, upskill and reskill EU citizens into emerging and high demand roles in Artificial Intelligence and related areas, striving to promote equal learning opportunities, while avoiding duplication of efforts and overlaps in their respective activities, and ensuring the best use of available resources.

Therefore, in consideration of the mutual interest above, the Parties agreed on the following:

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this MoU is to provide for a framework of cooperation and determine specific collaboration arrangements between the Parties as well as to establish a communication channel, intending to effectively cooperate in the matters of common interest, in particular in the field of artificial intelligence skills and the ARISA project's activities, based on the principles of common interest and complementarity.

2. SCOPE

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Cooperation between the Parties encompasses in particular but is not limited to the following areas and activities whereby:

2.1. The Parties exchange information and knowledge to seek synergies between their respective initiatives and projects in the areas of software skills development, digital skill intelligence, and skilling, reskilling, and upskilling.

2.2. The Parties take part in meetings convened in the framework of their respective activities or relevant work strands in matters in which the other Party has an interest or technical competence, as appropriate.

2.3. ARISA defines appropriate means and provides opportunities for ARISA Associated Partner to directly contribute to one (or more) of the ARISA project's work strands in which the Party has an interest or technical competence.

2.4. ARISA Associated Partner supports the implementation of the EU sectoral skills strategy on AI proposed in the framework of the ARISA project by identifying relevant opportunities for promotion of the ARISA project outputs and results to its stakeholder network via self-defined communication and dissemination actions, and with a specific focus on the national context.

2.5. ARISA Associated Partner co-organizes and/or participates in ARISA external events during and beyond the project's lifetime, with a focus on engaging local communities, responding to their needs, harnessing local creativity and knowledge.

2.6. ARISA grants ARISA Associated Partner visibility on the project website (<https://aiskills.eu/>) by adding its logo on a dedicated page, and potentially other means: opinion pieces in the blog, quote cards on social media, etc.

2.7. ARISA provides a media & communication kit to support ARISA Associated Partner in the ARISA-related communication and dissemination activities self-deployed by the latter Party.

3. INTENTION TO COLLABORATE

3.1. This MoU is a statement of intent and does not create any enforceable rights or obligations. The Parties will fulfil their commitments under this MoU on a best-effort basis when not limited by either of the Parties' statutes, internal regulations, consortium agreements or any other governing agreements.

3.2. This MoU does not restrict any of the Parties' independence and management of any project originating from its organisation, nor restricts the possibility of the development of any other cooperation or joint project of mutual interest.

3.3. Unless expressly set forth in this MoU, the Parties do not have the authority to act on behalf of, be liable for the acts of, or bind the other Party in any way. Neither Party shall enter into any contract or commitment on behalf of the other Party.

3.4. Nothing in this MoU shall create any employer/employee, agency, distributor, or any form of joint venture relationship between the Parties.

3.5. There will be no third-party beneficiaries to this MoU.

4. IMPLEMENTATION

4.1. This MoU will be implemented by mutual agreement and regular consultation between the Parties.

4.2. Further aspects of the cooperation between the Parties as the detailed working methods and procedures may be developed and agreed upon within the framework of the present MoU.

5. CONFIDENTIALITY

5.1. The Parties agree not to disclose to third parties any confidential information shared by the other Party in the context of this MoU. This Article survives the termination and expiration of this MoU, whatever the reason thereof.

5.2. If interest is expressed by either of the Parties, the Parties could, but are not obliged to, agree to convene a bilateral meeting to review the progress of the activities, and exchange relevant information about their activities, or plan future activities.

5.3. The Parties may collect and store personal data in connection with the present MoU and shall respect the provisions of the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679 without using the personal data received from another Party for any other matter than performing the present MoU.

5.4. In case of any other specific restrictions related to the use of personal data, the providing Party shall inform the receiving Party about such restrictions of use.

6. BRANDING

6.1. Neither Party shall use the name, emblem, or trademarks of the other Party, nor any of its subsidiaries, and/or affiliates, nor any abbreviations thereof, *outside the scope of this MoU*, without the written approval of the other Party in each case.

6.2. The Parties agree to be publicly named as members of this MoU.

6.3. Whenever relevant, the Parties agree to use each other's logo and adhere to branding and marketing guidelines regarding their use in all communications related to this MoU.

7. APPLICABILITY, AMENDMENT, AND TERMINATION

7.1. The Parties will begin to cooperate under the framework of this MoU as of the date of the last consent by either Party.

7.2. This MoU may be amended or reviewed at any time with the consent of the Parties.

7.3. This MoU may be terminated by either Party by providing two (2) weeks' notice to the other Party.

For ARISA

For ARISA Associated Partner

Signature:

Signature:

Done at

Done at

Date:

Date:

Disclaimer: All the activities linked to the management of the ARISA project are performed by project consortium partners in accordance with the grant agreement and no additional compensation (fees) is linked to these activities.

