

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND YOUTH
BETWEEN**

**THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND YOUTH OF
THE
SLOVAK REPUBLIC AND
THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND YOUTH OF GEORGIA**

The Ministry of Education, Research, Development and Youth of the Slovak Republic and the Ministry of Education, Science and Youth of Georgia (hereinafter referred to individually as

a “Participant” and collectively as the “Participants”);

APPRECIATING the importance of education as a key driver of economic development and as a means to further strengthen cooperation between the two countries;

CONVINCED of the necessity of establishing lasting and effective cooperation in the mutual interest of both countries;

BELIEVING that such cooperation will serve their common interests and contribute to the enhancement of the education systems of both countries;

Have reached the following understanding:

**Paragraph I
Objective**

Under this Memorandum of Understanding, the Participants, in accordance with the universally recognized principles and norms of international law and the existing legislation of their respective States, and on the basis of equality and mutual respect, will support and develop cooperation between the relevant organizations and institutions in the field of education, science and youth.

**Paragraph II
Areas of Cooperation**

The Participants, in accordance with the universally recognized principles and norms of international law and the existing legislation of their respective States, will endeavour to encourage and promote cooperation in the following areas:

- a) Exchange of information and experience on education systems, practices and ongoing reforms across all levels of education;
- b) Promoting cooperation in the field of higher education, including direct cooperation between higher education institutions of the two countries for the purpose of establishing and implementing various forms of collaboration, the development of joint and collaborative

programmes, institutional partnerships, academic mobility, internationalisation, and the exchange of good practices and expertise;

c) Exploring opportunities for the exchange of administrative and academic personnel, as well as

students, between higher education institutions in both countries through jointly agreed bilateral programmes of mutual benefit;

d) Promoting scholarship schemes and visibility of higher education institutions in both countries with the aim of supporting talent circulation;

e) Exploring options for supporting the need for a certified translator for the Georgian–Slovak language pair in both countries;

f) Promoting cooperation in digital education, including the integration of digital tools, e- learning platforms, fostering digital literacy and competencies;

g) Exchanging information and best practices on the recognition of academic qualifications and degrees;

h) Exchanging, upon request, information on research collaboration opportunities, academic literature, research findings and other related publications through designated authorities of the Participants, subject to applicable national laws, rules and regulations, as well as applicable international agreements on intellectual property;

i) Promoting cooperation in vocational education and training (VET) and lifelong learning systems;

j) Promoting participation in educational congresses, conferences, workshops, symposiums, training courses and exhibitions;

k) Encouraging cooperation between youth organizations and institutions, including non-formal education initiatives;

l) Promoting cooperation in the field of youth, including the organization of youth camps, bilateral exchange programmes and other joint initiatives;

m) The Participants will consider establishing a bilateral working group, at the level of deputy ministers, to facilitate the implementation and exchange information on progress under this Memorandum of Understanding;

n) Exploring other areas of cooperation as may be mutually determined by the Participants.

o) Promoting the exchange of best practices, methodology, and expertise in pre-primary, primary, and secondary education, including curriculum development and school leadership;

p) Encouraging joint initiatives, experience sharing for teachers and educators at the general education level.

Paragraph III

Financial Arrangements

Financial arrangements to cover expenses for cooperative activities undertaken within the framework of this Memorandum of Understanding will be decided by the Participants on a case-by-case basis, subject to the availability of funds and resources and in accordance with the respective national legislation of the Participants' States.

**Paragraph IV
Use of Logo and Emblem**

The use of the logo and/or official emblem of either Participant in any publication, document or material will require the prior written approval of the other Participant.

**Paragraph V
Legal Status**

The present Memorandum of Understanding reflects the intentions and understandings of the Participants. It does not represent an international agreement and does not create legal obligations under international law.

**Paragraph VI
Consultations**

Any disagreements that may arise from the interpretation or application of this Memorandum of Understanding will be resolved amicably through consultations between the Participants.

**Paragraph VII
Modification**

This Memorandum of Understanding may be modified by mutual written consent of the Participants.

**Paragraph VIII
Entry into Effect and Termination**

This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect on signature and will continue to be in effect until terminated by either Participant giving six (6) months' written notice to the other. The termination or expiration of this Memorandum of Understanding will not affect ongoing programmes and projects until their completion, unless otherwise agreed by the Participants.

Signed in Bratislava on 7th September 2026 in English.

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