

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
BIBLIOTECA NACIONAL MARIANO MORENO  
DE LA REPÚBLICA ARGENTINA  
AND  
THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC**

**Preamble**

1. Within the framework of the existing cultural relations between the Republic of Argentina and the the Czech Republic, The Biblioteca Nacional Mariano Moreno de la República Argentina, Calle Agüero 2502, Ciudad Autonoma de Buenos Aires (hereafter "BNMM"), represented by its Director, XXX XXXXXX, and the National Library of the Czech Republic, Klementinum 190, 110 00 Prague 1 (hereafter "NLCR"), represented by Mr. XXX XXXXXXXX in his capacity as Director-General, share a wish to cooperate for the mutual benefit of their institutions and to further the interests of the research and wider information communities that they serve.

**Scope of intention for future collaboration**

2. This formal Memorandum of Understanding (hereafter "MoU") provides the overall framework for cooperation to be taken forward, by identifying broad areas of interest for potential future collaboration and indicating the process by which any specific proposals agreed upon by both sides will be managed and executed.

**Areas identified for potential future collaboration**

3. As a result of initial discussion, two general areas have been identified as holding useful potential for future collaboration:

- a) Sharing knowledge of each institution's respective holdings related to the documentation and study of Argentine and Czech cultural heritage, which includes the dissemination of catalogue information, collection development, access initiatives and original research and scholarship.

- b) The commitment to explore possible specific collaborative projects between the BNMM and BNCR, including for example shared exhibitions, personnel exchanges for the purpose of training, specialized cataloguing projects or sharing the content of digital libraries via the modern intercommunication protocols such as OAI-PMH or IIIF.

### **Specific projects are subject to separate Agreement**

4. Any specific proposal for collaboration emanating jointly or severally from BNMM and/or NLRC under the areas listed in Paragraph 3 of this MoU will be subject to a separate agreement in the form of an annex to this MoU, in which will be detailed the project's aims, timetable, budget, source of funding, deliverables, project management arrangements, intellectual property rights, publication, and other relevant matters, before its implementation.

### **Variation**

5. This MoU may be expanded or contracted by mutual agreement at any time during its period of validity. Further general areas for potential collaborative activity may be added to paragraph 3 by mutual agreement. Not all areas listed in paragraph 3 will necessarily be active at any one time.

### **Implementation and designated representatives**

6. Implementation of this MoU will be overseen by a senior manager in each institution: for the BNMM, the Director of the Biblioteca Nacional de la Republica Argentina and by the Secretary for Science, Research, and International Cooperation, XXX XXXXX, in the case of the NLRC. Decisions to implement any specific proposal, as provided for in clause 4, or to expand or contract the scope of potential collaboration, as provided for in clause 3, shall be jointly taken by the parties.

### **Duration and termination**

7. This MOU will take effect on the date of its last signature by either of the two signatories and will remain valid for an initial period of three years. At the end of that period the MoU will be reviewed and revised if deemed necessary, and if mutually acceptable, be extended for a further period. Either party may give notice in writing at any time to bring this MoU to a close, the effective end of date being the date of posting of notice by either party. Nothing in this MoU, or the fact of its termination or expiry, shall prejudice or affect any other MoU or other Agreement between the parties.

### **Effect**

8. This Agreement is not intended to and shall not give rise to any legal rights or obligations on either side.

### **Copies**

9. This MoU has been made out in 6 copies, 2 in English, 2 in Spanish, and 2 in Czech, all copies being identical and having equal status; each party is to receive one copy of the MoU in English, one copy in Spanish, and one copy in Czech.

Signed by:

**On behalf of: Biblioteca Nacional Mariano Moreno de la Republica Argentina**

XXXX XXXXXXXX Director

Place and date: Buenos Aires, 22.5.2019

**On behalf of: National Library of the Czech Republic**

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Place and date: V Praze 13.2.2019