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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

Masaryk University, Faculty of Arts, Brno, Czech Republic,

hereinafter referred to as “FF MU”,

represented herein by its Dean, doc. Mgr. Irena Radová, Ph.D.,

AND

University of South Bohemia in České Budějovice, Faculty of Science, Czech Republic

department of the faculty: Laboratory of Archaeobotany and Palaeoecology

hereinafter referred to as “LAPE FSC USB”,

represented herein by the prof. RNDr. František Vácha, Ph.D., Dean of the Faculty

The purpose of this Memorandum is to promote and enhance cooperation between **Faculty of Arts, Masaryk University**, as the recipient of the project **“Ready for the future: understanding long-term resilience of the human culture (RES-HUM)”**, registration number: CZ.02.01.01/00/22_008/0004593, and the LAPE FSC USB recognizing the benefits of institutional links to their respective universities.

Department of Archaeology and Museology FF MU is a centre of excellence in interdisciplinary archaeological research, jointly implemented by a consortium of its partners: Institute of Archaeology of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague, Nuclear Physics Institute of the Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences and National Museum (hereinafter referred to as “partners”).

PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT

The parties agree to implement mutual cooperation on the project **“Ready for the future: understanding long-term resilience of the human culture (RES-HUM)”**, registration number: CZ.02.01.01/00/22_008/0004593, which received financial support from the operational programme Johannes Amos Comenius (OP JAC) provided by the European Commission (EC).

By signing this Memorandum of Understanding, the two institutions and their partners indicate their willingness to encourage cooperation through:

- A. Cooperation in research activities
- B. Training and exchange of project members and subject experts
- C. Organization of seminars and academic meetings
- D. Exchange of publications, reports and other academic information

- E. Joint partnership in international development opportunities
- F. Other activities as mutually agreed in writing.

Such cooperation and contact will be at the level of **Faculty of Arts, Masaryk University or its project partners** and **LAPE FSC USB**.

Both parties understand that all financial arrangements will have to be negotiated and agreed upon as specific written agreements. Specific details for the implementation of activities will be developed mutually for each particular project.

Both institutions subscribe to the policy of equal opportunity and do not discriminate on the basis of race, gender, age, ethnicity, religious belief, national origin or physical disability.

The Parties to this Memorandum of Understanding are committed to ensuring that faculty/institutes, staff and students participating in collaborative activities under the auspices of this Memorandum adhere to all relevant governing regulations and standards of ethics in the conduct of research, use of data, dissemination of results, and disclosures of conflicts of interest. Unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Parties, each Party will retain ownership of its Intellectual Property that pre-exists the effective date of this Memorandum or is developed outside the auspices of this Memorandum of Understanding. If collaborative activities implemented under the auspices of this activity are deemed by either Party to compromise that Party's standards of ethics in research or infringe on its pre-existing or independently developed Intellectual Property, that Party may withdraw from the Memorandum of Understanding immediately without penalty.

The memorandum is created for the purpose of confirming ongoing cooperation for the needs of the OP JAC project and is valid unless cancelled by either party in writing by giving at least six (6) months advanced notice. It may be revised or modified at any time by mutual consent in writing.

Whilst the purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to outline an academic and management framework between the two parties, designed to promote internationalisation in both institutions and their partners, the parties do not intend to be legally bound to each other, and this Memorandum of Understanding does not impose legal obligations on either party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have affixed their signatures, as follows:

MASARYK UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH BOHEMIA

Faculty of Arts

Faculty of Science

Brno, Czech Republic

České Budějovice, Czech Republic

By:

By:

doc. Mgr. Irena Radová, Ph. D.

prof. RNDr. František Vácha, Ph.D.

Dean, FF MU

Dean, FSC USB

Date: _____

Date: _____