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LETTER OF INTENT

between the City of Udine (Italy) and the City of Kalush (Ukraine)

The City of Udine (Italy) and the City of Kalush (Ukraine),

Recognising the value of friendship, dialogue and cooperation among European local authorities;

Acknowledging that the contact between the City of Udine and the City of Kalush was established through the U-LEAD with Europe initiative, which promotes good governance and international cooperation among Ukrainian municipalities and their European partners;

Sharing a common interest in strengthening relations between their communities and institutions;

Express their intention to explore opportunities for cooperation and dialogue in areas of common interest, including:

1. Culture, tourism and the promotion of local heritage;
2. Education, youth exchanges and people-to-people contacts;
3. Sports, community engagement and activities fostering social inclusion;
4. Sustainable local development, innovation and the exchange of experiences on urban challenges and public services; climate change mitigation and adaptation
5. European cooperation, institutional networking and the exploration of opportunities offered by European programmes and initiatives.

The two cities express their willingness to strengthen mutual relations and to develop a stable network of friendship and cooperation, encouraging the exchange of knowledge, experiences and good practices for the benefit of their communities.

The two cities recognise the strategic role of municipalities in promoting European values, territorial cohesion and sustainable development. They underline the importance of building strong networks of cooperation among local authorities in order to exchange experiences, develop common initiatives and explore opportunities that may arise within future European programmes and funding frameworks (2028-2034).

They also recognise the importance of fostering closer ties between European local authorities and supporting dialogue and cooperation in the context of Ukraine's European integration process and its future accession to the European Union.

This Letter of Intent reflects the common desire of the two cities to explore future forms of cooperation and does not create any legally or financially binding obligations.

Signed in three original copies in English.

For the City of Udine (Italy)

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Mayor of Udine

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For the City of Kalush (Ukraine)

Andrii Naida

Mayor of Kalush

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