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PROPOSAL

MEMORANDUM OF PARTNERSHIP

BETWEEN

THE ATLANTIC TRANSNATIONAL NETWORK RTA-ATN

AND

THE CPMR ATLANTIC ARC COMMISSION

The Atlantic Transnational Network, platform of institutions representing the economic and social actors of Atlantic European Regions, as an organisation with an advisory role in relation to public policies and cooperation initiatives which impact on Atlantic Regions,

and

the Atlantic Arc Commission, Geographical Commission of the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions, that includes the Governments of the Atlantic Regions, acts as an advocate for its Regions before the EU and the Member States in order to promote an ambitious vision of the European project, based on solidarity.

In the context of relations that have been established for over a decade in favour of collaborative work for:

- the recognition of specific Atlantic characteristics within the framework of the EU
- the development of European policies that can contribute to balanced development and a better integration of this area
- the promotion of cooperation

as part of a framework of multilevel governance that enables all actors, institutional and economic and social, to contribute, within the scope of their competences and duties

THE TWO ORGANISATIONS HAVE AGREED ON THIS MEMORANDUM OF PARTNERSHIP,

With this objective and on the basis of reciprocity, in order to clarify the terms of participation of each of these two organisations in their respective activities:

PARTICIPATION IN THE MEETINGS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY and / or STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE TWO ORGANISATIONS

Each organisation will be invited to participate in the meetings of the General Assembly / Steering Committee of the other organisation, and will receive all the documents associated with these meetings, except internal documents. During these meetings, the invited organisation will have the right to speak but will not have voting rights.

As part of the drawing up of the draft agendas for the General Assemblies, each organisation will take into account the partner organisation in order to enable it to deliver a speech, especially on topics on which the invited organisation is particularly involved.

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN SEMINARS ORGANISED BY EACH ORGANISATION

For each public seminar organised on topics related to the Atlantic area, the organisations will invite each other to participate or to deliver a speech, according to the topics considered, when the agenda permits.

PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS OF THE WORKING GROUPS OF THE ORGANISATIONS

Each organisation will invite the partner organisation to participate in the meetings of its working groups. The invited organisation will then be able to express their views during discussions, submit written contributions, without having the right to vote. The working documents will be sent beforehand to the invited organisation.

JOINT DECLARATIONS

Documents that will be developed jointly by the ATN and the Atlantic Arc Commission, such as Declarations or joint Position Papers on issues of common interest to both organisations will necessarily be developed through a bilateral consultation between the appropriate bodies of each organisation.

This memorandum of partnership will make the ATN and the Atlantic Arc Commission **Associate Partners** working well together for the harmonious development of the European Atlantic seaboard.