



# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (OR COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT) BY AND BETWEEN

# CENTER FOR GEOSTRATEGIC STUDIES BELGRADE - SERBIA

And

### SWISS CENTER FOR GLOBAL TRENDS WIL/SG - SWITZERLAND

**CENTER FOR GEOSTRATEGIC STUDIES (CGS)** and **SWISS CENTER FOR GLOBAL TRENDS (SCGT)** agree to cooperate in academic exchanges, program development and research. This document establishes the guiding terms and principles of collaboration between the two institutions.

#### I. Legal frameworks of both institutions

CGS is a private institution for research and studies located at Knez Mihailova 10 in Belgrade, Serbia, founded in 2014 by its Director General Dragana Trifkovic.

SCGT is a Swiss Association founded in 2016 in Wil, Canton St. Gallen, Switzerland under the name of International Pestalozzi Gesellschaft. It is located at Bronschhoferstrasse 17 in 9500 Wil/SG. In 2021 it changed the name to Swiss Center for Global Trends and started acting as an international independent think tank aiming at observing and researching global trends in politics, society and science as well as social and geostrategic development in general. It is represented by its President Stephan U. Breu and its Secretary General Zoran Vitorovic.

#### II. Purpose of the Agreement

Given the interest of both institutions to establish ties of academic and research cooperation in order to contribute to the achievement of their overall goals as institutions of international research, this agreement seeks to create a multi-disciplinary, multi-level relationship between **CGS** and **SCGT**. It does not purport to prescribe areas of collaboration, but rather to provide a framework to facilitate the exploration of specific actions that may be taken for the mutual benefit of the two institutions. Potential areas include, but are not limited to:





- 1. Exchange research staff
- 2. Cooperative development of courses and academic programs, if approved
- 3. Development of joint scientific and / or technological research projects
- 4. Collaboration in the area of academic publications
- 5. Other activities of mutual interest in academic or scientific and technological research
- 6. Exclusivity of Regional Level Cooperation

### III. Execution of the Agreement

The specific activities to be carried out under this agreement will be stated in corresponding specific sub-agreements. Such specific sub-agreements, once approved by both parties, will be attached as annexes to this agreement.

The specific sub-agreements between both institutions will specify their objectives, conditions and ways of execution, financial support, period the sub-agreement will be in effect, and administrative responsibility within each institution.

#### IV. Term and Expiration of the Agreement

It is understood that this agreement will come into effect after being signed by both Parties and will be established for a period of a year. After this first year it will be automatically extended for an indefinite period, unless one of the Parties expresses an intention (by written notification) to cancel the agreement at least (3) three months before the expiry date.

Any additions, changes, or deletions to this document must be approved by these representatives of both institutions. All notices shall be in writing and shall be directed to these individuals as follows:

For CENTER FOR GEOSTRATEGIC STUDIES:

For SWISS CENTER FOR GLOBAL TRENDS:

Prof. Dr. Dragana Trifkovic

**Director General** 

Place/Date: OTPAA

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Place/Date:

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