

In furtherance of the mutual desire and the need to establish cooperation in the field of legal science, education and practice, with a view to strengthening the role of law and the rule of law in a democratic society,

The **Faculty of Law and Administrative Sciences**, University of Timisoara (Romania), represented by the dean, professor Lucian Bercea, Ph.D., and the **Judicial Research Centre (CEPRIS)** from Belgrade (Serbia), represented by the member of the Management Board, professor Goran P. Ilić, Ph.D., hereby enter into this

SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT

Object and Purpose of the Agreement

Article 1

The object of the agreement is to establish cooperation between the parties in the field of legal education, scientific research and monitoring and improvement of the legal professions practice.

Forms of Cooperation

Article 2

Cooperation specified in Article 1 of this Agreement shall include:

1. the possibility of joint organization of scientific meetings, conferences, congresses, seminars, round tables and other forms of scientific and professional activity, or the possibility of including the representatives of one party in such events organized by the other party;
2. exchange of professional and scientific information through the exchange of books, magazines and other publications and materials on the basis of reciprocity;
3. work on joint projects;
4. including the representatives of one party in the educational activities of the other party, pursuant to the applicable regulations;
5. analysing the problems of interest to both parties and proposing the manners to resolve the same;

6. encouraging and presentation of activities of interest to both parties;
7. other related forms of cooperation.

The parties shall provide a separate written agreement for each individual form of cooperation, and determine the coordinators for the implementation of the same.

Protection of Copyright and Other Rights

Article 3

Within their cooperation, the parties shall to the fullest extent protect the copyright, moral, property and other related rights and personal data of the persons to whom such rights and data refer.

Term of the Agreement

Article 4

This agreement is concluded for an indefinite period of time.

The agreement may be terminated by mutual consent or by the submission of a written decision of the competent body of one party to the other party.

In the event of termination of the agreement, the parties shall insist on the completion of those forms of cooperation which are in progress, and on the prevention of any damage, where otherwise the party which has unilaterally terminated the agreement shall be obliged to compensate the damage to the other party or to the person involved in the particular form of cooperation.

Amendments to the Agreement

Article 5

The agreement may be amended by mutual consent of the parties, in such manner and according to such form in which it was entered into.

Dispute Resolution and Governing Law

Article 6

The parties shall endeavour to resolve any dispute related to the implementation or termination of this agreement by amicable negotiations.

If the dispute cannot be resolved by amicable negotiations, it shall be subject to the law of the country of the court where the matter will be litigated.

Final Provisions

Article 7

This agreement shall come into force as of the date of signing by the authorised representatives of the parties, pursuant to the prior decision on acceptance of the agreement made by the competent bodies of both parties.

This agreement is executed in four (4) identical counterparts, two (2) for each party.

In Timisoara, 25 November 2016

Judicial Research Centre

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and Administrative Sciences**