MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

EDU - INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION (EDU)



AND

BALKAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (BCC)



RECOGNIZING that mutually beneficial economic cooperation amongst countries is crucial to ensuring economic growth, sustainable development, job creation, prosperity and peace;

RECOGNIZING that the sustainable development of production activities and, hence, wealth generation, depends heavily on the capacity and capabilities of new enterprises and local producers in countries in transition to meet the challenges of globalization;

RECOGNIZING that some vulnerable societies, communities and social groups are in need of access to new economic opportunities and support, which would enable them to participate fully in economic development and sustainable development;

RECOGNIZING that BCC is a representative body that speaks on behalf of commercial enterprises from all sectors in the Balkans Region;

RECOGNIZING that EDU and BCC support the efforts of communities in transition, promote the sustainable development of new enterprise sectors, encourage education in entrepreneurship, particularly among vulnerable groups, such as women, youth and the rural poor.

EDU and BCC have agreed as follows:

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to establish effective consultation, co-operation, and the exchange of information between them;

II.

EDU and BCC will continue to promote joint activities and continue advice for the creation of further standards and projects in accordance with sustainable development initiatives;

III.

to promote co-operation among top officials from Governments, the business community and national committees;

IV.

to hold periodic meetings to facilitate the exchange of views; to review the provisions and operation of this Memorandum in the light of experience; and to consider modifications and developments to cover specific projects, as appropriate.

Done in Brussels, Belgium on 28th day of January 2014

EDU INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION (EDU)

H.E. Irving LE-VANCE,

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Secretary General

Done in **Pristina**, Kosovo on 28th day of January 2014

BALKAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (BCC)

Mr. Jagmohan BAJAJ,

President