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Memorandum of Understanding

by and between
the Permanent Secretariat of the Alpine
Convention
and the Friends' Association for the Youth
Parliament to the Alpine Convention
(hereinafter YPAC Association)

Considering that the Alps represent a living, cultural and economic area of particular European interest,

considering that the Alps are characterised by a diverse culture and history and by many different traditions as well as by a particular ecological sensitivity,

considering the function of the Permanent Secretariat of the Alpine Convention in supporting the implementation of the Alpine Convention and its Protocols,

considering the objective of the Youth Parliament to the Alpine Convention is to promote youth involvement into the discussions on current topics and youth participation in political processes regarding the Alpine region,

the Permanent Secretariat of the Alpine Convention, represented by its Secretary General Ambassador Markus Reiterer,

and the YPAC Association, represented by its Vice President Matthias Gappisch, come to the following understanding:

1 - Goal of the Cooperation

The Partners will work together to support the implementation of the Alpine Convention and its implementation Protocols and the Declarations.

This cooperation is particularly aimed at increasing awareness of youth about the protection and the sustainable development of the Alps.

2 - Collaboration Fields

The Partners will work together to promote the objectives of the Alpine Convention amongst the public, especially the youth.

The Partners will mutually and regularly exchange information about their activities and significant developments in the relevant fields.

The Permanent Secretariat will provide support for the preparation and implementation of the future editions and facilitation, as appropriate, of participation in meetings of the YPAC within the limits of its resources. This regards in particular the corresponding public relations activities.

The YPAC Association will coordinate the main topic(s) of the future editions of the YPAC with the Permanent Secretariat.

The Permanent Secretariat of the Alpine Convention will host (i.e. provide necessary and appropriate server space and capacity) the website of the YPAC on its servers without assuming any responsibility concerning the contents of the website; this responsibility remains solely with the YPAC Association. The Permanent Secretariat of the Alpine Convention reserves the right to cancel the hosting of the YPAC website and any time it deems appropriate. The YPAC Association will ensure that any contents of the webpage will be in line with the requirements of the Alpine Convention.

The YPAC Association will ensure that, within its communication and public relations activities, the Alpine Convention is explicitly mentioned and the logo of the Alpine Convention is used according to the applicable regulations.

3 - Duration of the collaboration

This Memorandum will remain in force for three years after its signature. At the end of the three-year period, the Memorandum will be renewed through exchange of letters renewed for another threeyear period, unless one of the Partners states in writing that the Memorandum is no longer effective. In this case, the Memorandum will expire three months after the notice.

The partners agree to discuss the implementation of this Memorandum at regular intervals.

Place and date: Maribor, 21 March 2018

For the Permanent Secretariat

For the Friend's Association for the Youth Parliament to the Alpine Convention

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