

## PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COORDINATOR AND THE PARTNERS

This Partnership Agreement, drawn up in relation to the International Visegrad Fund's Visegrad Grant No. **22520302**, shall govern relations between:

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**IBAN:**

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**Represented by: prof. Dr. Ing. Jan Mareš, rector  
hereafter referred to as "the Coordinator",**

and

**Name: University of Lodz (CMS UL)**

**Address: ul. Narutowicza 68, Lodz, 90-136, PL**

**Represented by: Prof. Dorota Golańska, Pro-rector for Research**

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**hereafter referred to as "the Partner"**

and

**Name: Institute of Economic Research of the Slovak Academy of Sciences (IER SAS)**

**Address: Šancová č. 56, Bratislava, 81105, SK**

**Represented by: Mgr. Miroslav Štefánik PhD., director**

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and

**Name: Kopint Foundation for Economic Research (KFER)**

**Address: Margit körút 47-49, Budapest, 1024, HU**

**Represented by: Katalin Klára Nagy, managing director**

**Bank name: GRÁNIT Bank Nyrt.**

**IBAN:**

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**hereafter referred to as "the Partner"**

also jointly referred to as "Partners",

the Coordinator and Partners hereinafter jointly referred to as "the Parties";

and is concluded as of the place and date stated below, with the following terms and conditions.

## Article 1/Subject

1. Having regard to the project entitled “***From Crisis to Coordination? V4 Migration Strategies and Scenarios***”, carried out with funding provided under the International Visegrad Fund’s Visegrad Grant No. 22520302 (hereinafter referred to as the “Project”), the **Coordinator** and the **Partners** agree to carry out the work programme set out in this Partnership Agreement, which regulates their relationship and specifies their respective rights and obligations.

2. The total cost of the Project for the contractual period referred to by the Visegrad Grant No. 22520302, all financing combined, is estimated at **38.760 EUR (thirty-eight thousand seven hundred sixty euros)** including all taxes and duties.

3. The “***Contract on the Provision of Financial Resources from the International Visegrad Fund’s Visegrad Grant No. 22520302***”, concluded between the International Visegrad Fund and the Coordinator, together with all its attachments, (hereinafter referred to as “**Grant Agreement**”), forms an integral part of this Partnership Agreement. In case of any conflict between the Grant Agreement and this Partnership Agreement, the provisions of the Grant Agreement shall prevail.

## Article 2/Duration

1. The Parties agree that the Project shall last from 01/12/2025 until 31/05/2027 (the “Implementation Period”).

2. This Partnership Agreement shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the Register of Contracts administered by the Ministry of Interior of the Czech Republic, which shall be carried out by the Coordinator without undue delay after this Partnership Agreement’s signature by the last of the participating Parties. The Partnership Agreement shall remain in force until the completion of all obligations of the Parties under this Partnership Agreement, including final settlement of payments as foreseen in Article 6, and the approval of the final report by the International Visegrad Fund.

## Article 3/Obligations of the Coordinator

The Coordinator shall undertake:

1. To take all the steps necessary to prepare for, perform and correctly manage the work programme set out in this Partnership Agreement, in accordance with the objectives of the Project as set out in the Grant Agreement.

2. To send to each Partner a copy of the reports and of any other official document concerning the Project;

3. To provide each Partner with a copy of the Grant Agreement and to promptly notify each Partner of, and provide them with, any amendments to the Grant Agreement or any changes to relevant supplementary documents, including the Grant Guidelines, issued by the International Visegrad Fund.

4. To coordinate and monitor the implementation of all project activities in accordance with the Grant Agreement;

5. To publicise the Project to the public and to stakeholders invited to support its implementation;

6. To create a migration dataset – data from CZ

7. To deliver the country report Czech Republic and to share it to media and main stakeholders;
8. To revise the proposals of the country reports from PL, HU and SK;
9. To organize a webinar with stakeholders in Brno;
10. To organize the final workshop in Brno and actively participate;
11. To ensure the necessary number of in-person and online participants at above-mentioned events.
12. Project manager

12.1. The Coordinator has appointed Dr. Robert Stojanov, as the Project manager of this Project, who will be responsible for managing the project activities in accordance with the agreement of all Partners and the Grant Agreement.

12.2. The Project Manager shall coordinate the project activities spread over the independent but interrelated deliverables during the implementation period and ensure that they are implemented in the best possible way in accordance with the Grant Agreement.

12.3. Moreover, the Project Manager shall ensure that the final reports, the financial report and the auditor's report are prepared and submitted to the International Visegrad Fund in a timely manner and shall be responsible for all communication with the International Visegrad Fund in relation to this project.

12.4. The Project Manager shall ensure that the project objectives are implemented with high professional and scientific standards to which all Partners are committed so that the project deliverables are achieved as specified in the Grant Agreement.

#### **Article 4/Obligations of the Partners**

The Partners shall have the following tasks:

1.Partner 1 (University of Lodz) shall carry out the following tasks:

- 4.1.1. Creation of migration dataset – data from PL
- 4.1.2 revision of the preliminary proposal of the country report CZ
- 4.1.3 delivery of the country report Poland, and its sharing to media and main stakeholders
- 4.1.4 organization of webinar with stakeholders in Lodz
- 4.1.5. participation at the final workshop, presentation of the findings
- 4.1.6 ensuring the necessary number of in-person and online participants at the above-mentioned events
- 4.1.7 contribution to the preparation of the Final report and Financial statement for and with relevant recommendations for practitioners to be included in the executive summary

2. Partner 2 (Institute of Economic Research of the Slovak Academy of Sciences) carry out the following tasks:

- 4.2.1. Main responsibility for migration dataset creation and the data collection from SK
- 4.2.2. assistance in quantitative data analysis for country reports CZ, PL, HU
- 4.2.3 delivery of the country report Slovakia, and its sharing to media and main stakeholders

- 4.2.4. organization of webinar with stakeholders in Bratislava
- 4.2.5 participation at the final workshop, presentation of the findings
- 4.2.6 ensuring the necessary number of in-person and online participants at the above-mentioned events
- 4.2.7 contribution to the preparation of the Final report and Financial statement for and with relevant recommendations for practitioners to be included in the executive summary

3. Partner 3 (Kopint Foundation for Economic Research) carry out the following tasks:

- 4.3.1. creation of migration dataset – data from HU
- 4.3.2 delivery of the country report Hungary, and its sharing to media and main stakeholders
- 4.3.3. organization of webinar with stakeholders in Budapest
- 4.3.4 participation at the final workshop, presentation of the findings
- 4.3.5 ensuring the necessary number of in-person and online participants at the above-mentioned events
- 4.3.6 contribution to the preparation of the Final report and Financial statement for and with relevant recommendations for practitioners to be included in the executive summary

4. Moreover, all Partners shall be undertake to:

4.1. take all the steps necessary to prepare for, perform, and correctly manage the work programme set out in this Partnership Agreement, in accordance with the objectives of the Project as defined in the Grant Agreement;

4.2. communicate to the Coordinator any information or document required for the management of the Project;

4.3. accept responsibility for all information communicated to the Coordinator, including details of costs claimed and, where appropriate, ineligible expenses;

4.4. make themselves familiar with, and to act in accordance with, the rules and Grant Guidelines of the Fund, as published on the Fund's website (<https://www.visegradfund.org/>)

5. All Parties are obliged to acknowledge the Fund's support of the Project:

5.4.1. On all premises where event take place as part of the Project (in the form of a banner or a flag),

5.4.2. In all printed materials distributed as part of the Project, and

5.4.3. On all websites connected to the Project, including the project webpage and the websites of the Coordinator and of all the project Partners, while all such websites must be available in English language.

5.4.4. All acknowledgements must visibly carry the current version of the logo and of the Fund, and if on-line, must be directly linked to the Fund's website (<https://www.visegradfund.org/>). Acknowledgements in event venues must be present for the duration of the events. Acknowledgements on-line must remain active for the whole contractual period of the Project, at minimum. Partners made themselves familiar and will be acting accordingly to the Logo and Acknowledgement Manual which is published on the website of the Fund (<https://www.visegradfund.org/>).

## Article 5/Financing

1. The total expenditure of the Coordinator is specified below:

Coordinator – MENDELU (CZ)

<b>Outputs related costs</b>	<b>EUR</b>
OUTPUT 1 Migration dataset (product)	
Expert fees	750
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 1</b>	<b>750</b>
OUTPUT 2 CZ The country report (product)	
Expert fees	3500
Translation and interpreting costs	500
Printing/publishing costs	100
Office supplies/consumption material	100
Accommodation and board	300
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 2</b>	<b>4500</b>
OUTPUT 3 PL The country report (product)	
Expert fees	250
Printing/publishing costs	100
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 3</b>	<b>350</b>
OUTPUT 4 SK The country report (product)	
Expert fees	250
Printing/publishing costs	100
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 4</b>	<b>350</b>
OUTPUT 5 HU The country report (product)	
Expert fees	250
Printing/publishing costs	100
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 5</b>	<b>350</b>
OUTPUT 6 Webinars with stakeholders (event-public)	
Expert fees	500
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 6</b>	<b>500</b>
OUTPUT 7 Final workshop (event-public)	
Expert fees	1000
Printing/publishing costs-graphic design	100
Accommodation and board	1840
Transportation and postage	1200
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 7</b>	<b>4140</b>
<b>TOTAL direct costs</b>	<b>10940</b>
Overhead	3100
<b>Audit costs</b>	<b>2500</b>
<b>TOTAL COSTS</b>	<b>16540</b>

2. The total expenditure of the Partners is specified below:

1) Partner 1 – University of Lodz (PL)

<b>Outputs related costs</b>	<b>EUR</b>
OUTPUT 1 Migration dataset (product)	
Expert fees	500
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 1</b>	<b>500</b>
OUTPUT 2 CZ The country report (product)	

Expert fees	250
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 2</b>	<b>250</b>
OUTPUT 3 PL The country report (product)	
Expert fees	3500
Translation and interpreting costs	500
Accommodation and board	500
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 3</b>	<b>4500</b>
OUTPUT 6 Webinars with stakeholders (event-public)	
Expert fees	500
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 6</b>	<b>500</b>
OUTPUT 7 Final workshop (event-public)	
Expert fees	250
Accommodation and board	280
Transportation and postage	200
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 7</b>	<b>730</b>
<b>TOTAL direct costs</b>	<b>6480</b>
Overhead	900
<b>TOTAL COSTS</b>	<b>7380</b>

2) Partner 2 / Institute of Economic Research of the Slovak Academy of Sciences (IER SAS) (SK)

<b>Outputs related costs</b>	<b>EUR</b>
OUTPUT 1 Migration dataset (product)	
Expert fees	1500
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 1</b>	<b>1500</b>
OUTPUT 4 SK The country report (product)	
Expert fees	3500
Translation and interpreting costs	500
Accommodation and board	200
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 4</b>	<b>4200</b>
OUTPUT 6 Webinars with stakeholders (event-public)	
Expert fees	500
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 6</b>	<b>500</b>
OUTPUT 7 Final workshop (event-public)	
Expert fees	250
Accommodation and board	560
Transportation and postage	100
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 7</b>	<b>910</b>
<b>TOTAL direct costs</b>	<b>7110</b>
Overhead	900
<b>TOTAL COSTS</b>	<b>8010</b>

Partner 3 – Kopint Foundation for Economic Research (HU)

<b>Outputs related costs</b>	<b>EUR</b>
OUTPUT 1 Migration dataset (product)	
Expert fees	500
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 1</b>	<b>500</b>
OUTPUT 5 HU The country report (product)	
Expert fees	3500
Translation and interpreting costs	500
Accommodation and board	200

<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 5</b>	<b>4200</b>
OUTPUT 6 Webinars with stakeholders (event-public)	
Expert fees	500
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 6</b>	<b>500</b>
OUTPUT 7 Final workshop (event-public)	
Expert fees	250
Accommodation and board	280
Transportation and postage	200
<b>Subtotal OUTPUT 7</b>	<b>730</b>
<b>TOTAL direct costs</b>	<b>5930</b>
Overhead	900
<b>TOTAL COSTS</b>	<b>6830</b>

3. The Coordinator shall transfer funds to each Partner in the amount of the proven costs realized in accordance with the project budget and considered eligible and approved for financing by the International Visegrad Fund. The Coordinator shall transfer the funds to each Partner on a quarterly basis, based on invoices issued by the Partner in question.

#### **Article 6/Payments**

1. The Coordinator shall make payments to the Partners in proportion to the completion of the tasks assigned to them under this Partnership Agreement.

2. The schedule of payments shall follow a quarterly cycle, in line with the achievement of the tasks foreseen in the Grant Agreement.

3. All payments shall be regarded as advances pending explicit approval by the International Visegrad Fund of the final report, the corresponding cost statement and the quality of the results of the Project.

4. Any costs incurred or supposedly incurred by a Partner declared ineligible by the International Visegrad Fund in accordance with the Grant Agreement, in particular pursuant to its Article 8.3., or based on any other applicable rules of the International Visegrad Fund referred to in the Grant Agreement, shall be reimbursed by the concerned Partner to the Coordinator upon written request, without undue delay.

5. In the event that the International Visegrad Fund withdraws from the Grant Agreement pursuant to Article 8.3 thereof, each Partner agrees to return to the Coordinator all payments received by it under this Partnership Agreement, without undue delay and upon the Coordinator's written request.

#### **Article 7/Reports**

1. Each Partner shall provide the Coordinator with any documentation required for the preparation of the Final Report and, where appropriate, with copies of all the necessary supporting documents completed and signed by its legal representative.

#### **Article 8/Monitoring and Supervision**

1. Each Partner shall without delay provide the Coordinator with any information that the latter may request from it concerning the carrying out of the work programme covered by this Partnership Agreement.

2. Each Partner shall make available to the Coordinator any document making it possible to check that the aforementioned work programme is being or has been carried out.

### **Article 9/Intellectual property**

1. The Partners acknowledge and agree that, in accordance with the Grant Agreement's Article 7.10, the Coordinator shall be the sole holder of all intellectual property rights and/or copyrights to any outputs of the Project or any part thereof (the "Outputs").

2. The Partners expressly consent to the Coordinator granting to the International Visegrad Fund a non-exclusive, royalty-free licence to the Outputs, without territorial, temporal, material or technological limitations, as required under the Grant Agreement's Article 7.10.

3. Each Partner shall, upon creation of any part of the Outputs to which it contributes, transfer or otherwise grant to the Coordinator all rights necessary for the Coordinator to comply with its obligations under the Grant Agreement.

4. Notwithstanding the above, each Partner shall have the right, directly under this Partnership Agreement, to use those Outputs to which it has contributed for its own internal, academic, educational, or other non-commercial purposes. Any commercial use of the Outputs by a Partner shall require the prior written consent of the Coordinator.

### **Article 10/Liability**

1. Each Partner shall be liable, in accordance with the applicable civil law as specified in Article 11.2., for any damages caused to the Coordinator in connection with the implementation of the Project.

2. The Partner shall indemnify and hold harmless the International Visegrad Fund, the Coordinator and their personnel against any action for damages suffered by third parties, including project personnel, as a result of the performance of this Partnership Agreement, except to the extent that such damages result from acts or omissions by the International Visegrad Fund, the Coordinator or their personnel.

3. Each Partner shall indemnify and hold harmless the Coordinator against any contractual penalty imposed by the International Visegrad Fund under Articles 8.1 and 8.2 of the Grant Agreement, to the extent that such penalty arises from that Partner's failure to fulfil its obligations under this Partnership Agreement or the Grant Agreement.

### **Article 11/Termination of the Partnership Agreement**

1. The Coordinator may terminate the participation of a Partner in this Partnership Agreement if that Partner has failed to duly perform any of its contractual obligations, except where such failure is due to force majeure, provided that a notification sent to the Partner by a registered letter has remained without effect for thirty (30) days. Such termination shall take effect ex nunc and shall not affect the validity of this Partnership Agreement with respect to the remaining Parties. The remaining Parties shall, without undue delay, agree to an amendment to this Partnership Agreement in order either to replace the former Partner with a new Partner, or to redistribute the tasks previously assigned to the terminated Partner among themselves. The Coordinator shall inform the International Visegrad Fund of such termination, and the Parties shall proceed in a manner that satisfies the requirements of the Fund to ensure the continuation of the Project.

2. The Partner shall immediately notify the Coordinator, supplying all relevant information, of any event likely to prejudice the performance of the Project.

#### **Article 12/Jurisdiction Clause**

1. Failing amicable settlement, the courts of the Czech Republic shall have sole competence to rule on any dispute between the Parties in respect of this Partnership Agreement.

2. This Partnership Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Czech Republic, without regard to its conflict of law provisions.

#### **Article 13/Final provisions**

1. Any amendments to this Partnership Agreement shall be valid only if made in writing and signed by all Parties through their duly authorized representatives.

2. The Parties may disclose the contents of this Partnership Agreement to the Donor, to public authorities, auditors, or other third parties if required to do so by applicable law or by the Grant Agreement.

3. If any provision of this Partnership Agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. The Parties shall replace the invalid or unenforceable provision with a valid provision that most closely reflects the original intent of the Parties, via a written amendment.

4. This Partnership Agreement is executed in 5 originals, two of which are received by the Coordinator, and one is received by each Partner.

5. The Parties hereby execute this Partnership Agreement, which constitutes the entire understanding between them and the full expression of their will.

**For the Coordinator:**

Date and place of signing: 13.10.2025

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prof. Dr. Ing. Jan Mareš, rector of the **Mendel University in Brno**

**For the Partners:**

Date and place of signing: 16.10.2025

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prof. Dorota Golańska, pro-rector for research of the **University of Lodz**

Date and place of signing: 14.10.2025

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Mgr. Miroslav Štefánik, Ph.D., director, **Institute of Economic Research of the Slovak Academy of Sciences**

Date and place of signing: 14.10.2025

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Katalin Klára Nagy, managing director, **Kopint Foundation for Economic Research**