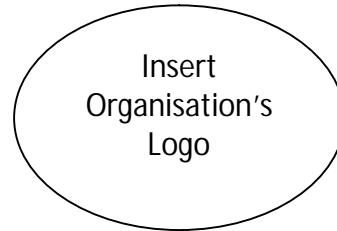


Generic MoA (Memorandum of Agreement)



MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

between



And

Kruger to Canyons Biosphere Region (K2C)

The **Kruger to Canyons Biosphere Region** and _____

Collectively, they are hereinafter referred to as "the project roleplayers",

Recalling the objectives of UNESCO biosphere reserves as expressed in the Madrid Action Plan (MAP UNESCO 2008), namely "biodiversity conservation and socio-economic development for human well-being", and their function as "learning sites for policy professionals, research and scientific communities, management practitioners and stakeholder communities to work together to translate global principles of sustainable development into locally relevant praxis."

Recalling also that biosphere reserves are in this sense to be actively used for demonstrating trade-offs and balance amongst ecosystem services and functioning, human-environment interactions and well-being, in the framework of the UN-Decade for Education for Sustainable Development (DESD), i.e. demonstrating approaches to enhance co-operation amongst academic, political, practitioner and stakeholder communities to address and solve context specific problems to improve environmental, economic and social conditions (MAP UNESCO 2008),

Recalling further that biosphere reserves as part of a World Network of Biosphere Reserves (WNBR) are to be used for the sharing of experience and knowledge within

the network and that cooperation (twinning programmes) between BRs which share specific issues are to be fostered (MAP UNESCO 2008),

Recalling further that MAB UNESCO 2008 calls upon biosphere reserves to create and strengthen partnerships with businesses, develop and promote markets and fair trade for goods and services in BRs and to support management and communication relating to BRs,

Recognizing the vision of the Kruger to Canyons Biosphere to be a leading demonstrator by example in maintaining a balance between conservation of biodiversity, fostering economic development and social development through the provision of an integrated, sustainable and equitable service to all stakeholders; the fostering of good relations amongst within and outside the K2C Biosphere Region; through assisting communities within K2C Biosphere Region in developing viable and sustainable development projects; the promotion of sustainable biodiversity conservation; and lastly, through creating awareness of and encourage compliance with all environmental laws and policies,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1
Objective of cooperation

The objective of the cooperation is to [outline a summary of the purpose of the partnership and the goals of the project being initiated] Through the following actions:

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- [list all activities identified as regards the goals of the project]

Article 2
Fields of cooperation

The project partners will collaborate in the implementation of the project _____ [include official name of the project to be entered into] and will focus on the following fields:

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d. [list all activities to be undertaken within the partnership cooperation].

Article 4
Roles and Responsibilities of cooperation

Kruger to Canyons Biosphere will enter into the partnership under the role of _____ [enter the identified role of K2C as listed in the above document]. Herewith the following aspects have been agreed upon:

- a.
- b.
- c. list all recommended aspects to be agreed upon as is listed in this document as well as any additional aspects that may be identified within the project scope)

_____ [enter name of partnership organisation] will enter into the partnership under the role of _____ [enter the identified role of K2C as listed in the above document]. Herewith the following aspects have been agreed upon:

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d. [list all recommended aspects to be agreed upon as is listed in this document as well as any additional aspects that may be identified within the project scope]

Article 6
Entry into Force, Amendment and Termination

1. This memorandum will be initiated upon signature by representatives from each project partner.
2. The project partners may, by mutual agreement, review and amend this Memorandum.
3. This Memorandum may be terminated by either partner giving a three-month written notice.

Signed this _____ day of _____ 20__ at _____

For **Kruger to Canyons Biosphere Region**

For _____

Chairperson/ S21 CEO

Organisation CEO