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**STATEMENT OF INTENT
BETWEEN
THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME
AND THE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL DEMOCRACY AGENCIES**

This Statement of Intent is concluded between the United Nations Development Programme ("UNDP"), a subsidiary organ of the United Nations, an intergovernmental organization established by its Member States and the Association of Local Democracy Agencies (ALDA), UNDP and ALDA are hereinafter jointly referred to as the "Signatories".

UNDP serves in many respects as the operational arm of the United Nations at the country level and works with partners in numerous countries to promote sustainable development, eradication of poverty, advancement of women, good governance and the rule of law.

The UNDP Geneva Representation Office has specific responsibility for partnership building and donor relations in France and Switzerland. It identifies, builds and develops UNDP's institutional capacity to enhance strategic partnerships across a wide spectrum of partners, principally with programme and donor countries, the UN system, non-governmental and civil society organizations, the private sector, intergovernmental organizations, international finance institutions, regional banks, academia and foundations as well as partners taking part in the UN's decentralized cooperation campaign.

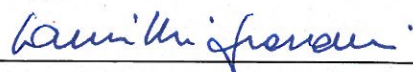
UNDP, through the ART Initiative (Articulation of Territorial and Thematic Cooperation Networks for Human Development), is committed to strengthening development effectiveness by promoting and facilitating the strategic articulation of the different international cooperation actors in supporting governance and local development processes, as well as accomplishing the Millennium Development Goals.

ART facilitates the complementarities and strategic and operational coordination among different development actors and programmes on the field: national programmes, local collectives, decentralized cooperation actors, agencies of the UN System, civil society organizations, universities, NGOs, private sector, among others.

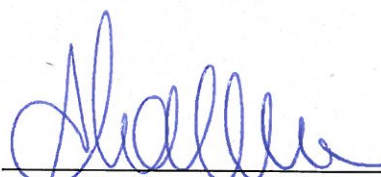
The Signatories recognize that this statement is strictly limited to the scope described here above and does not entail any further commitments on either Signatories.

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