JOINT DECLARATION OF INTENT ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF HEALTH BETWEEN

THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH OF UKRAINE

AND

THE FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

The Ministry of Health of Ukraine, and the Federal Ministry of Health of The Federal Republic of Germany, hereinafter referred to as "Sides", are convinced of the need to strengthen their cooperation in the field of healthcare and public health, building on existing forms of cooperation between the Sides. Through this Joint Declaration of Intent (hereinafter "JDI") the Sides wish to further improve their cooperation and contribute to Ukraine's further integration to the European Union, recognising that mutual exchange of experience would promote beneficial initiatives and would lead to the improvement of the health of the population in both countries.

The Sides have thus come to the following understanding:

- I. With the purpose of further promoting beneficial and intensified cooperation, as well as supporting Ukraine's further integration to the European Union, the Sides intend to exchange experiences and to cooperate in the following fields:
 - 1. public health;
 - 2. communicable and non-communicable diseases incl. antimicrobial resistance;
 - 3. prevention;
 - 4. rehabilitation including prosthetics and orthotics;

- 5. mental health;
- 6. capacity building through professional development of medical staff and transferal of knowledge;
- 7. sustainability and modernization of health care systems including self-governance.
- II. The implementation of cooperation specified above could be carried out through the following methods:
 - 1. exchange of experts, delegations and personnel in the field of health in order to realize short term postgraduate education and training in medical specialties, improvement of professional skills and consultancy;
 - 2. exchange of expertise, information and experiences regarding organization, structure and reforms in the field of health;
 - 3. support of direct contacts among the related foundations, institutions, national agencies and organizations;
 - 4. support for and involvement of both Sides in meetings, seminars and conferences in different health disciplines for both countries' researchers, health professionals and administrators.

The Sides will be open to collaboration with other partners, international and non-governmental organizations, as well as actors of the private sector

III. This JDI will come into effect on the day of signature. The cooperation according to this JDI can be terminated by either Side any time with prior written notice to the other Side, if ever possible no later than three (3) months

prior to the date of desired termination. The termination of the cooperation is not intended to affect the implementation of initiated or on-going activities and projects.

- IV. This JDI does not constitute a legally binding document. No items of this JDI will be construed to create legal rights or obligations nor any financial settlements for either Side.
- V. This JDI may be amended by mutual written consent of the Sides. Such amendments will come into effect on such date as may be determined by the Sides.

Signed in Berlin on February 2, 2024, in two copies in the English language.

For the Ministry of Health of Ukraine

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