

**COOPERATIVE EXPRESSION OF INTREST
BETWEEN
ECSA - European Citizen Science Association
AND
ZSI - Centre for Social Innovation**

Purpose

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding ('MoU'), dated as of 12 February 2024, is to promote international cooperation in fields of shared interests and expertise between the partners of the STEP Change project, and in particular, VEREIN DER EUROPÄISCHEN BÜRGERWISSENSCHAFTEN – ECSA E.V and ZSI – ZENTRUM FÜR SOZIALE INNOVATION GmbH.

Types of Cooperation

Based on the successful cooperation in the frame of the Step Change project, recognizing the importance of collaboration and the potentials identified to make additional contributions to society, the parties express their interest in promoting mutually beneficial academic and scientific exchange between the researchers, students, related stakeholders and other actors, with a particular focus on citizen science. Through this MoU, both parties agree to endeavour to promote such activities including, but not limited to, the following:

- Discussion of potential collaborative research in relation to topics such as theory, methods and tools related to the implementation of citizen science and citizen engagement
- Sharing of experiences in innovative methods of citizen science
- Organization of related joint events

This MoU is a statement of intent and does not create any legally binding obligations between the parties, nor does it place any financial obligations or supplementary funding commitments on either party. Specific activities that the parties desire to undertake require separate written agreements that detail the terms, conditions, and commitment of resources (financial or otherwise) required of each party in connection with the specific activity.



Term

This MoU is effective as of the 12 February 2024 and shall remain valid for a period of three (3) years, with the understanding that it may be modified only by the written mutual consent of both parties. Either party may terminate this MoU with advance written notice to the other party of at least thirty (30) days.

Contact Information

Any correspondence regarding this MoU shall be directed and sent to the appropriate contacts at each institution as set out in Annex A.

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