



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN [MINISTRY OF GENDER CHILDREN AND SOCIAL WELFARE] AND THE CASA AFRICA CONSORTIUM.

In Banjul, on the 18th day of June of 2024

MEETING

On the one hand, Mr. José Segura Clavell, General Director of the CASA ÁFRICA CONSORTIUM, empowered to do so by virtue of the appointment agreed by the Governing Council on 18 July 2022, and in accordance with articles 48. 2 of Public Sector Regimen Act, and articles 5 b) and 23 d) of the Statutes of the Consortium, in the name and on behalf of the Casa África Consortium (hereinafter Casa África), with CIF No. Q3500371D, a Public Law entity of an inter-administrative nature, attached to the General State Administration, with its own legal personality and full capacity to act, made up of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Union, and Cooperation; the Government of the Canary Islands and the City Council of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, with registered offices at c/ Alfonso XIII, 5, 35003 Las Palmas de Gran Canaria.

And on the other hand, Mr/Ms [Fatou F. Kinteh], in the name and on behalf of the Ministry of Gender Children and Social Welfare, with identification number [NA], with registered address for notification purposes at [Jimpex Road, Kanifing]. The undersigned is acting by virtue of the powers of attorney granted in his favour on [NA] with protocol number [NA] and on 9 April 2018, before Notary [NA].

Acting in accordance with their respective positions and in the exercise of the powers vested in each of them, with full capacity to formalise this Memorandum of Understanding, which should serve to establish a framework agreement of collaboration between the signatory entities and, to this effect,

EXPRESS

That it is the wish of the parties to establish a close collaboration in order to promote the fulfilment of the common aims entrusted to them, in the certainty that such collaboration will enable better results to be obtained in the programmes and actions to be undertaken, which will be of benefit to both institutions.

That this protocol has been promoted by both institutions on the basis of:





I- That Casa África is a consortium under Public Law, with its own legal personality and full capacity to act, created by Agreement of 26 June 2006 and made up of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation, the Government of the Autonomous Community of the Canary Islands and the City Council of Las Palmas de Grafi Canaria, whose purpose is to strengthen relations with African countries and to achieve its goals, activities and projects are carried out that contribute to better knowledge and development of relations between Africa and Spain within the scope of Spanish Public Diplomacy and according to the priorities of the Third Africa Plan of the Government of Spain and Casa África's Strategic Plan 2022-2024, which has as its maximum reference the United Nations' 2030 Agenda and the fulfilment of its Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Specifically, the aforementioned Third Africa Plan approved by the Council of Ministers on 1 March 2019 focuses on four central objectives:

1. Promotion of peace, security and stability.

Sustainable development, rooted in tobust, inclusive and resilient economic growth.

3 Institution building.

 Orderly, regular and safe mobility, in line with the provisions of the 2030 Agenda and the Global Compact on Migration.

In this context, the important role that cooperation in entrepreneurship, innovation, science and technology must play to advance these objectives is recognised.

II.- That the Ministry of Gender Children and Social Welfare

III.- That the purpose of this General Action Protocol is to articulate a framework collaboration agreement between Casa África and That the Ministry of Gender Children and Social Welfare

IV.- That this Memorandum of Understanding seeks to contribute to the fulfilment of the values and principles that must govern those cooperation agreements that seek to respond to the values of Spanish society in the 21st century: respect for cultural diversity, democracy, human rights, freedom of expression and the promotion of international relations in accordance with the values of the United Nations 2030 Agenda and in compliance with its Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

V.- That Casa Africa and That the Ministry of Gender Children and Social Welfare





fully aware of the potential of their own organisations and of the possible synergies -product of collaboration-, agree on the convenience of establishing collaborative relations, and agree to establish this General Protocol of Action in accordance with the following:

STIPULATIONS

FIRST, PURPOSE AND LEGAL NATURE

The purpose of this Memorandum is to articulate the collaboration between the signatory institutions, in order to cooperate in carrying out activities that contribute to the fulfilment of the statutory objectives of both entities.

In accordance with the provisions of the second paragraph of article 47 of the Public Sector Legal Regime Act (Law 40/2015, of 1 October), this Memorandum is excluded from the regulation established in the aforementioned law on agreements, consisting of declarations of intent of general content and expressing the will of the subscribing entities to act with a common objective, in accordance with the following stipulations.

SECOND, PRIORITY ACTIONS

This Memorandum of Understanding shall be specified in the cooperation of the signatory entities in the following areas of action:

- Collaboration for the organisation of activities related to the African continent developed within the scope of action of each institution, with special reference to the following areas:
- a. Academic and scientific.
- b. Training.
- c. Digitisation.
- d. Innovation.
- e. Disinformation.

All of the above with special reference to those developed with African entities or others located on the African continent.

- To collaborate in the promotion of projects in accordance with the mission and activity of both organisations, fundamentally in those cases in which there is a clear efficacy in the union of efforts.
- To contribute to the dissemination of the activities developed by each of the parties.





All activities shall be integrated within the framework of the foundational aims and objectives pursued by the entities signing this Memorandum, as set out in their respective statutes.

THIRD. DEVELOPMENT OF PROGRAMMES AND ACTIONS

The signing of this Memorandum does not imply the transfer of economic resources between the signatories, nor expenses for any of them, nor any commitment or obligation of any organisational, financial, economic or any other kind.

Both signatories shall endeavour to develop their collaboration in the areas described in this instrument, insofar as their organisational and functional capacity, as well as their budgetary availability at any given time, allow.

The possible development of collaboration activities will be, where appropriate, subject to the signing of the relevant documents between the signatories.

The signing of this document does not entail any legal obligation or specific legal commitments for the signatories.

FOURTH. DURATION OF THE GENERAL PROTOCOL OF ACTION

The duration of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be three years from the date of its signature. This Memorandum may be extended for successive periods of one year if both institutions give express notice at least three months before the end of its term.

This Memorandum may be terminated if either of the signatory parties formally denounces it, which must be duly notified to the other party at least three months prior to the date on which it is due to expire.

FIFTH. THE MONITORING COMMITTEE

In order to provide adequate coverage for the monitoring of these actions, a Monitoring Commission is established, which will be made up of two members from each of the institutions that sign this Memorandum.

This Commission shall meet on an annual basis or whenever required by any of its members, setting by mutual agreement the place, date, time, agenda and form of the meeting.

SIXTH. JURISDICTION





SEVENTH. COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE SIGNATORIES

The parties to this document shall collaborate at all times, in accordance with the principles of good faith and legitimate trust.

And, in proof of conformity, and for the due record of all that has been agreed, the participants sign this agreement on the date and at the place indicated above.

By: Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Welfare

By: CONSORCIO CASA ÁFRICA

[Honorable Minister of Gender, Children and Social Welfare]

[Fatou S Kinteh]

Director General,

Signed: José Segura Clavell