

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR STRENGTHENING
COOPERATION AND FRIENDLY EXCHANGES BETWEEN THE CANTON OF
BASEL-STADT OF SWITZERLAND AND THE CITY OF SEOUL OF THE
REPUBLIC OF KOREA**

The Canton of Basel-Stadt, Switzerland and the City of Seoul, capital of the Republic of Korea, hereinafter jointly referred to as *the two cities*, wish to enhance mutual understanding and friendly cooperation between the two cities and agree on the following.

Article 1

In accordance with the laws of each city and nation based on the principle of mutual equality and benefit, the two cities agree to establish cooperative relations and promote friendly exchanges.

Article 2

Under the principle of equality and reciprocity, the two cities agree to reinforce cooperation and inter-city exchanges in the fields of life science, startup and innovation, climate change, research and development, architecture, smart city solutions, science and technology, economy, culture and tourism, education and other areas to support shared prosperity and development.

Article 3

The two cities agree that the Division of External Affairs and Marketing of the Department of Presidential Affairs of the Canton of Basel-Stadt and the International Relations Divisions of the Seoul Metropolitan Government will serve as the liaison offices for the two sides. The two cities shall maintain regular contact and support cooperative projects and activities in the aforementioned fields.

Article 4

This MOU shall not affect other inter-city relations of either city, and does not grant any special or preferable legal status or rights to either party.

This MOU consists of two original copies, printed both in English and Korean and both copies are equally authentic and valid. This MOU is signed in Place on September 29, 2022 and shall enter into force on the date of its signing.

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Canton of Basel-Stadt, Switzerland

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