



## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

University of Zagreb Faculty of Civil Engineering, Zagreb, Croatia

and

Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje  
Institute of Earthquake Engineering and Engineering Seismology (IZIIS)  
Skopje, Republic of North Macedonia

University of Zagreb Faculty of Civil Engineering represented by Prof. dr. Stjepan Lakušić, Dean of the Faculty

and

Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje, Institute of Earthquake Engineering and Engineering Seismology represented by Prof. dr. Vlatko Sesov, Director of the Institute,

hereafter in this Memorandum collectively referred to as "the Parties" or, separately, "the Party", have agreed to sign this Memorandum of Understanding (Memorandum) about the following:

### 1. Subject of Memorandum of Understanding

The subject of the Memorandum is joint education and scientific activity of the Parties in all fields of mutual interest, especially of earthquake engineering, aimed at enhancing scientific research and academic process and increasing specialist training efficiency.

### 2. Fields of cooperation

Based on the principles of mutual benefit, both institutions intend to explore opportunities for:

- 2.1. Joint application for funding and participating in programs funded by national, EU or other international associations and bodies, which will be regulated by separate agreements or protocols.
- 2.2. Researchers mobility including exchange of resources such as laboratory equipment, materials, publications, reference, and other pertinent information.
- 2.3. Exchange of academic staff at the postgraduate doctoral study programs.
- 2.4. Exchange of postgraduate and doctoral students for courses of advanced study, seminars, research required to complete dissertations and theses.
- 2.5. Exchange of the experience of specialist training.



- 2.6. Organization of joint academic, scientific, and training activities, such as programs, courses, conferences, seminars, workshops, and lectures.
- 2.7. Other joint activity in fields, which do not contradict the interest of the Parties, entered into agreement.

### 3. Conditions of the Memorandum

- 3.1. Cooperation of the Parties in the above fields can be regulated by additional agreements as a supplement to this Memorandum.
- 3.2. The list of cooperation fields can be added and detailed.
- 3.3. This Memorandum places no financial obligations or supplementary funding commitments on either Party. Specific activities will be established and defined through separate written agreements that details terms, conditions, and commitment of resources (financial and otherwise) required of each Party in connection with the specific activity.
- 3.4. The Parties undertake not to pass information and materials receiving in the frames of this Memorandum, to the third party without being agreed with the partner.

### 4. Duration of the Memorandum

- 4.1. This Memorandum shall come into effect upon the date of signature by both Parties and shall remain valid for a period of three years. It will thereafter be automatically renewed every three years subsequently unless either Party notifies the other Party on its intention of termination at least 6 months prior to the initial or any subsequent expiration date of the Memorandum. The number of prolongations is unlimited.
- 4.2. The Memorandum will be cancelled by written notification of a Party.
- 4.3. This Memorandum is signed in English language and in duplicate, one for each Party.

Prof. dr. **Stjepan Lakušić**, Dean



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