

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN



**Korea Local Information Research
& Development Institute (KLID)**

**European Network of Living Labs
(ENoLL)**

The Korea Local Information Research & Development Institute (hereinafter referred to as “KLID”) is a government institution, which specializes in local government information systems and e-Government services. The main mission of KLID is to bridge regional digital divide; realize balanced local development; and boost the productivity of local governing bodies across the country by developing, distributing, and managing common information systems under national standards. KLID has been operating and managing various local e-Government systems for 17 local governments and 226 municipalities in Korea over past two decades. Based on KLID’s accumulated e-Government expertise, KLID seeks to broadly cooperate with diverse stakeholders including foreign central & local governments, public institutions, and international organizations.

The **European Network of Living Labs** (hereinafter referred to as “ENoLL”), established in 2006, is a global network of benchmarked, open, and user-driven innovation ecosystems. Directly, as well as through its active members who have undergone the evaluation process as ENoLL Certified Living Labs, ENoLL provides co-creation, user engagement, test and experimentation facilities for rapid prototyping and scale-up of businesses, and innovation across domains. Living Labs are open innovation ecosystems in real-life environments based on a systematic user co-creation approach that integrates research and innovation activities in communities, placing citizens / users at the center of innovation. Many Urban Living

Labs, supported or founded by municipalities around the world, are already adding value to their communities and stakeholders they serve.

WHEREAS, KLID endeavors to promote and enhance knowledge sharing and matchmaking opportunities among its members and relevant stakeholders within the extended network of ENoLL, and seeks to incorporate aspects such as citizen-centricity and social innovation in its programs and other activities, acknowledging the necessity of citizen-driven innovation in the successful deployment of smart and sustainable city initiatives.

WHEREAS, ENoLL endeavors to promote and enhance user-driven innovation ecosystems, more precisely, the Living Lab concept globally, and seeks to complement and develop its activity and role as a platform for best practice exchange, capacity building, policy support and Living Lab international project development and, acknowledging the work carried out by KLID in the areas of smart & sustainable cities and e-government in Korea.

WHEREAS, ENoLL and KLID acknowledge the value of the contributions made by ENoLL and KLID in different events taking place in the context of annual meetings, conferences, and workshops. Particularly, ENoLL has been present regularly in the Smart City events organized by KLID, and KLID has contributed to the annual Open Living Lab Days organized by ENoLL.

THEREFORE, KLID and ENoLL (hereinafter referred to collectively as the “Parties” and individually each a “Party”) wish to set forth the terms and understanding for tangible cooperation in areas of mutual interest, and have agreed to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as “MOU”), as follows:

Article 1 - Purpose

Through this MOU, the Parties will explore collaboration on activities that are practical and consistent with the guiding principles and organizational needs of the

Parties, which will ultimately increase the well-being of citizens in Korea, Europe and around the world.

The above goals will be accomplished by undertaking the following activities:

1. **Mutual Promotion.** Considering certain geographical advantages of each Party, the Parties will support each other in the activities of common interest. Such support may include, but is not limited to, assistance in promoting and endorsing programs and projects through promotional activities (including KLID events in the context of Smart Cities and Living Labs, Open Living Lab Days, ENoLL Living Lab Certification & Innovation Ecosystem Quality Assessments, ENoLL Capacity Building Program, etc.).
2. **Joint Organization of Events.** The Parties will cooperate in the organization of joint sessions and other events that will serve as platforms for networking and matchmaking (including each Party's regular conferences and sessions, workshops and study tours, task forces, etc.) among diverse members and partners of each Party's network, to boost open dialogue and closer partnerships. This will include exploration of opportunities to support and complement both Parties' capacity building programs.
3. **Mutual Knowledge Sharing.** The Parties will collaborate in actively sharing their respective expertise and accumulated experience, such as smart sustainable solutions and living labs, through compilations of best practice, speakerships, expert reviews, judging panels, and other knowledge sharing initiatives, to enrich the Parties' respective conceptual frameworks. To this end, KLID will also explore the exchange of research materials, publications, expert services and meaningful information produced by each party or members of each party.
4. **Joint Strategic Development.** The Parties will seek to identify ample avenues for project implementation and financing in local governments and living labs in Korea and the world across various sectors. These may include:
 - a. The identification of **opportunities in Korea for joint capacity building actions between the parties** in the context of Smart Cities, Living Labs, Citizen engagement and citizen-driven innovation, addressed to public institutions, business and other stakeholders.
 - b. The identification of **potential joint consortiums for participating in projects through the different funding agencies**. KLID commits to

play an active role in searching these funding opportunities for joint projects in the Korean ecosystem, and ENoLL commits to play an active role in this search in the European ecosystem.

- c. ENoLL will also explore the **connections between KLID and ENOLL Network members** with the aim of creating eventual joint consortiums.
- d. ENoLL will provide **active support to identify potential collaborations of KLID members into the ENoLL Action Oriented Task Forces**, where specific working groups can be set up.
- e. KLID will also provide **active support to identify potential collaborations of ENOLL and ENOLL members with Korean local governments or public organizations** which seek to co-work in the areas including Smart Living Labs, Citizen engagement and local digital innovation.

Article 2 - Reporting

The Parties shall review the outcomes of collaboration within the framework of this MOU at the end of each year (around October/November) to optimize and reformulate the direction of the partnership based on the achieved results and, if applicable, share a brief progress report within their networks.

Article 3 - Communication

For the purpose of facilitating the implementation of this MOU, all communication between the Parties shall be directed to the designated liaison officers. The liaison officer of one Party may be changed with notice to the other Party.

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Article 4 - Funding

This MOU does not impose any financial obligations on the Parties. However, the Parties may enter into additional agreements for specific activities by mutual consent.

Article 5 - Logos

Each Party may use the logo of the other Party on their respective websites and publications to indicate the other Party as a MoU partner and to promote joint activities, projects and events, as mutually agreed. In other cases, neither Party will use the names, logos, or other intellectual property of the other Party without its prior written authorization.

Article 6 - Entry into Force

This MOU is at-will and may be modified by mutual consent of both Parties' authorized representatives. It shall become effective upon signature by the authorized representatives of both Parties and will remain in effect until modified or terminated by either Party by mutual consent.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the duly authorized representatives of the Parties hereto execute this MOU in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same agreement.

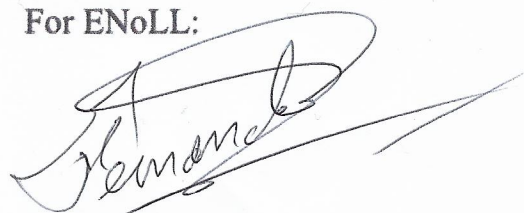
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