



CITY OF CAPE TOWN  
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# **MEMORANDUM** OF AGREEMENT

Made and entered into between

CITY OF CAPE TOWN

and

CITY OF AACHEN

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# 1 Parties

The Parties to this Agreement are:

- 1.1 The **City of Cape Town**, (hereinafter referred to as "**the CITY**") a Metropolitan Municipality established in terms of the *Local Government: Municipal Structure Act, 1998, (Act No. 117 of 1998)* read with the Province of the Western Cape: Provincial Gazette 5588 dated 22 September 2000, (as amended), herein represented by **Ms. Patricia De Lille** in her capacity as the **Executive Mayor**; and
- 1.2 **The City of Aachen** is the most western municipality in Germany, close to the Netherlands and Belgium. Aachen is represented by its council and **Marcel Philipp** in his capacity as Lord Mayor.

# 2 Preamble

This partnership is based on the principles of the Agenda 21 and the Millennium Development Goals and has been supporting practical projects close to everyday life in their sustainable development since 1999.

# 3 Introduction

This document represents the formal partnership contract between the cities of Aachen and Cape Town and specifically includes organizations from civil society, business, culture and education.

## 4 Agreement

The signatories want to implement the principles of and practice global sustainability on a local level, as described by the Agenda 21 of the UNCED Conference in Rio de Janeiro in 1992. These principles were strengthened by the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) in New York in 2015 which emphasize the importance and responsibility of the North.

- 4.1 To strengthen and deepen their friendship, cooperative relationship and successful cooperation the parties shall conclude the following contract for Partnership and Cooperation under the conviction that communication can be improved, everyday life between citizens can be made more peaceful and permanent communication can thereby be established between North and South through a cooperative relationship, the following shall be agreed:

As part of their responsibilities and opportunities, both cities will strive to strengthen their relationship in relation to civil society, culture, business and sports. This shall be done in the sense of the Sustainable Development Goals of the UN that shall characterize this cooperation and are stated in the Memorandum of Agreement.

This Agreement shall enter into effect upon being signed today. Its text is equally valid in German and English.

## 5 Goals And Main Points Of The Partnership

### 5.1 Goal of the Partnership

This partnership shall promote local sustainable development in the sense of the Agenda 21 and the SDG through proposals that make ecological, social and economic conditions and sustainable action visible on a local level.

### 5.2 Partnership Plans

- 5.2.1 Projects that emphasize and promote sustainable development.
- 5.2.2 Raising Awareness: Promoting understanding of the meaning of the Agenda 21 Millennium Development Goals in the North-South relationship.
- 5.2.3 Exchange: Promoting opportunities for exchange between Aachen and Cape Town (organizations, associations, groups, individuals).
- 5.2.4 Networking: Creating and maintaining an Internet-supported platform to promote contact for sustainable development.

### **5.3 Key Areas (SDG)**

5.3.0 Green economy, ecologic development (8,1)

5.3.1 Participation, improvement of partaking, good governance (10,11)

5.3.2 Waste, waste management (11, 12)

5.3.3 Safe and clean city (11)

5.3.4 Renewable energy, climate change, energy-saving constructions (13,7)

5.3.5 City climate, urban green spaces (11)

5.3.6 City planning, traffic planning, transportation (11)

5.3.7 Raising awareness, education for sustainable development (4)

5.3.8 Cross-cutting issues (women, youth, sports, culture (= art projects), school partnerships, exchange programs, etc.) = inclusion (11,5,17)

### **5.4 Promotion of Participation**

By having all participants participate as equals, joint cooperation will be ensured. To promote active participation in society, city councils, civil society (=associations, NGOs), educational and funding institutions, businesses, universities and other interested groups will all work together (SDG 16).

## **6 Structures And Process Of Cooperation**

6.1 The partners agree to support the Partnership Steering Committee in the South and the Partnership Association in the North which

6.1.0 develop a detailed action program (to review every 2 years)

6.1.1 coordinate and link projects and activities

6.1.2 organize partnership events

6.1.3 acquire funding and donations

6.1.4 promote work exchanges and education and the exchange of information and experience with other cities.

6.1.5 take on tasks in the public and communications sector.

The partners must work together on equal footing within this Agenda 21 partnership.

### **6.2 Support and Means**

The partners must provide support and means and strive to secure fundraising to ensure the continuity and effectiveness of the above-stated structures and processes.

## 7 Signatories

7.1 The partnership between the cities of Aachen and Cape Town includes the signing civil society organizations and is open for further activities that feel obligated towards the sustainability goals.

The partners agree that civil society plays a central role in the implementation and coordination of the partnership and the promoting of sustainable development.

For the City of Cape Town  
Mayor of Cape Town  
Patricia De Lille

  
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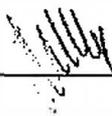
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For the City of Aachen  
Lord Mayor of the City Of Aachen  
Marcel Philipp

  
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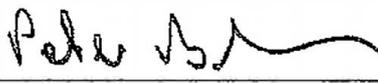
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For the Civil Society Organization

  
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Date: 24/11/17

Partnership Association CSO

  
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