



**COOPERATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF LOWER AUSTRIA AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF COLORADO
ON STRENGTHENING TIES
BETWEEN COLORADO AND LOWER AUSTRIA**

Preamble

The Government of Lower Austria and the Government of the State of Colorado (hereinafter referred to as the "Sides"), wishing to establish and deepen cooperation and with the intention of advancing economic, scientific and cultural progress for the benefit of both regions and their people, thus strengthening the ties of sincere friendship, have reached the following understanding:

Objective

Both Sides are convinced that cooperation will contribute to the development of bilateral relations and promote and encourage scientific and technological progress based on the principles of mutually beneficial collaboration.

Both Sides will promote cooperation in order to improve and strengthen mutual understanding and friendship.

Both Sides will promote constructive contact between each other, in various aspects of economy, technology, science and culture.



Areas of cooperation

Cooperation under this Memorandum of Understanding may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- Green Tech, Renewables and Climate Protection
- Economic Development and Business Cooperation
- Digital Technology and Advanced Manufacturing
- Science and Research
- Sports and Recreation
- Culture

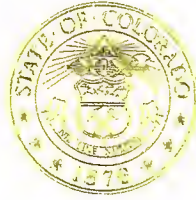
Possible forms of cooperation

Collaboration under this agreement may include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Exchange of information, experience and best practices.
- Organization of mutual visits.
- Strengthening the exchange between economic, scientific and cultural organizations of each region.

Sustainability

All activities and projects set within the framework of this cooperation agreement are to be implemented emphasizing climate protection and the sustainable use of resources.



Financial framework and non-binding character

No legal or financial obligations arise from the present cooperation agreement. Both sides bear their own expenses arising from the implementation and other activities carried out under the Agreement.

Effectiveness and duration

This Agreement shall enter into force upon signature and shall remain in force until the Agreement is modified or terminated by either side.

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Dianne PRIMAVERA

Lieutenant Governor of Colorado

Handwritten signature of Johanna Mikl-Leitner in blue ink.

Johanna MIKL-LEITNER

Governor of Lower Austria

Denver on May 4, 2022