



VIETNAM BAR FEDERATION

THE GERMAN FEDERAL BAR

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

VIETNAM BAR FEDERATION

AND

THE GERMAN FEDERAL BAR

ON

STRENGTHENING LEGAL EXCHANGE AND FRIENDLY COOPERATION

The German Federal Bar and the Vietnam Bar Federation ("the Parties"), recognize their mutual interest in the law,

Bearing in mind the importance of the legal traditions of the two countries and their mutual interest in each other's legal systems,

Desiring to strengthen their cooperation in promoting the friendship and exchange between lawyers in both countries - Vietnam and Germany - and exchange of information and materials,

Recognizing and bearing in mind the cooperation within the Rule of Law Dialogue and the ingrained cooperation programs of the Federal Ministry of Justice and Consumer Protection of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Ministry of Justice of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, and

Recognizing that legal cooperation between lawyers in both countries will establish significant premises for the further enhancement of bilateral cooperation in other areas and professions as well,

hereby agree that the Parties will seek to enhance the honor of the law and the profession of law to develop and maintain a relationship based on friendship and cooperation. Consistent with funding and other resource constraints, the Parties intend to

implement activities to strengthen the friendship, colleaguehood and professional ties between them. Cooperation activities are envisaged in the following areas: Promoting and improving the professional knowledge and skills of lawyers; Exchanging experience with regard to the organization and management of each Party; Exchanging information related to the organization and operation of socio-professional organizations of lawyers, the law practice of lawyers and other issues relevant to the legal profession. The formats, objectives and topics of cooperation activities are intended to be determined beforehand at regular intervals by both Parties.

Cooperation activities implemented within the framework of this MOU are relevant to functions, tasks and authorities of each Party based on mutual benefits, respect and understanding and shall always be in line with the laws and provisions applicable to the Parties and their members. This MOU imposes no legal obligations on each Party.

This MOU may be amended and supplemented by written agreements between the Parties. The contents which the Parties have agreed to amend or supplement shall constitute integral parts of this MOU.

This MOU is valid for five (05) years from the date of signing.

Either Party may terminate this MOU at any time by sending written notice of termination to the other Party. The termination shall take effect after fourteen (14) days from the date the other Party receives the termination notice. The termination of this MOU shall not affect the performance of the activities that are being implemented.

This MOU shall comprise two (02) pages and shall be made into four (04) originals (two (02) originals in Vietnamese and two (02) originals in English) of equal validity and takes effect from the date of signing. In cases of conflict in the interpretation of this agreement, the English version shall prevail.

This MOU was agreed and signed by the Parties on 13th October, 2020

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