



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE

REPUBLIC OF MALTA

AND

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE

HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN

The Ministry for the Environment, Energy and Public Cleanliness of the Republic of Malta and The Ministry of Water and Irrigation and The Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, hereinafter jointly referred to as the "Participants" and separately as the "Participant":

CONSIDERING that the Republic of Malta and the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan have shared serious problems related to climate change and water resources during recent decades;

CONSIDERING that cooperation plays a fundamental role for better understanding and solidarity between the two countries;

CONSIDERING that both countries share a common interest in improving initiatives and practices related to the effects of climate change on water resources and energy sector for the protection of their inhabitants, their territories and the environment;

RECOGNISING that cooperation between the Participants on various aspects of Water Resources Management and Development and Energy Management will benefit the Participants in securing water and energy resources for future generations;

Have reached the following understanding:

PARAGRAPH I: OBJECTIVE

The objective of this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as "MOU") is to promote a mutually beneficial relationship between the Participants in the field of water resources sector, water regulations, water management, water technologies, energy management and technology, by collaborating and sharing experience and expertise in areas mutually decided upon, including the efficient use of water resources, energy resources, recycling/re-use of wastewater, desalination, aquifer recharge and in-situ water and energy conservation techniques, water and energy infrastructure and water resource management.

PARAGRAPH II: PRIORITIES OF COOPERATION

The Participants share the understanding that the collaboration under this MOU may include, but not be limited to the following areas:

Water Sector:

- Water desalination technologies including the operation and maintenances;
- Water Security Plans, including the issue of climate change;
- Development and implementation of Water Intelligence instruments, with emphasis on integrated platforms for information management, permit processing, facilitating decision-making processes, crisis management, surface water monitoring and inspection;

- Monitoring of groundwater, including water quality, levels, flows and extractions;
- Development of water infrastructure such as: dams, reservoirs, irrigation channels, channel management works, desalinization plants;
- Nature-based solutions (NBS), development of green infrastructure and compatibility between these and the existing grey infrastructure for the management of water resources;
- Stimulation of innovation and facilitation for entrepreneurship within the water sector including innovative financing mechanisms such as climate finance;
- Other fields of mutual interest to the Participants.

Energy sector:

- Exchange the experience and provide mutual information and development support for renewable energy projects implementation;
- Share best practices and technologies related to energy efficiency programs to enhance energy conservation efforts;
- Exchange information on the development and promotion of green technologies, innovations as well as fundamental scientific researches in the field of green and renewable energy;
- Organise training programs, workshops, and seminars to facilitate knowledge exchange and capacity building in green and renewable energy technologies and policy frameworks;
- Support the mutual enhancement of energy system statistical data and information;
- Exchange the experience in the field of international trade in the field of electricity and energy.

PARAGRAPH III: FORMS OF COOPERATION

Cooperative mechanisms under this MOU may include the following aspects related with water:

- a) Exchange of information regarding policies and regulations, governance models, laws and by-laws and documentation;
- b) Joint organisation of seminars, workshops, meetings and technical training in fields of mutual interest;
- c) Exchange of experts to provide technical assistance and consultation in relevant fields;
- d) Joint scientific publications;
- e) Others forms of cooperation determined by the Participants.

PARAGRAPH IV: IMPLEMENTATION AUTHORITIES

The Implementing Authorities responsible for the coordination and the implementation of this MOU are:

- a) The Ministry for the Environment, Energy and Public Cleanliness of the Republic of Malta, which will include other Services depending on the activity to be carried out.
- b) The Ministry of Water and Irrigation and The Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.

PARAGRAPH V: FUNDING FOR COOPERATION PROJECTS

Nothing in this MOU represents a commitment of funds by either of the Participants. Each Participant is to finance the costs of international travel, accommodation, food and salaries incurred by participating in activities under this MOU.

PARAGRAPH VI: REVISIONS OR MODIFICATIONS

This MOU may be revised and modified by the written mutual consent of the Participants.

Any revision or modification of this MoU will be made in writing and will come into effect upon the written approval of both Participants, or otherwise as the Participants may jointly determine.

PARAGRAPH VII: DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Any dispute about the interpretation or implementation of the MOU will be settled through friendly negotiations and consultations between the two Participants through the established diplomatic channels.

PARAGRAPH VIII: LEGAL STATUS OF THE MOU AND EFFECT ON OTHER INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

This MoU expresses the intentions of the Participants who intend to use their best efforts in good faith to work together to achieve the objectives of this MoU. The Participants accept that this MoU is not legally binding and will not be used to establish rights and obligations for the Participants under international law.

No provision of this MoU will affect any rights or obligations that the Participants may have undertaken under any international Agreement, Treaty, Convention or Protocol.

PARAGRAPH IX: COMING INTO EFFECT, DURATION AND TERMINATION

This MOU will come into effect on the date of its signature by both Participants and will remain in effect for a period of five (5) years. After that period, it will be automatically extended for further periods of five (5) years.

Either Participant may terminate this MOU by means of a written notice to the other Participant.

Termination will take effect three (3) months following the date of notification. Such termination will not affect any activities initiated before the date of termination.

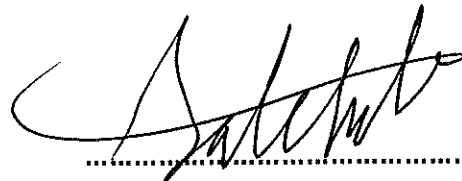
Signed in Amman on 19 May 2025 in duplicate, in the English and Arabic languages, both texts being equally valid. In case of any divergence in interpretation, the English text will prevail.

**FOR THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF MALTA**



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