

**Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)**  
between  
**Università luav di Venezia**  
and  
**International Union of Tenants (IUT) Liaison office to the European Union, Brussels**

**Between**

**Università luav di Venezia**, hereinafter "luav", tax code 80009280274, VAT 00708670278, represented by the rector pro tempore prof. Benno Albrecht, domiciled for the office at the Università luav di Venezia – Santa Croce, 191-30135 Venice, legitimized for the signing of this act by the academic senate of 19 February 2025.

**and**

**International Union of Tenants, Liaison office to the European Union, Brussels**, hereinafter "IUT EU office" – enterprise code 0537.997.434, represented by Ms. Barbara Steenbergen, domiciled for the office at B-1200 Brussels, Avenue des Rogations 28, legitimized for the signing of this act

Both luav and IUT EU office shall also be collectively referred to as "Parties" or individually as "Party".

**WHEREAS:**

- luav that, pursuant to article 3, paragraph 2 of the Statute, in the exercise of its functional autonomy, can promote, organize and manage in collaboration with other public and private actors operating at local, national, supranational and international, activities of common interest in fields related to its institutional purposes;
- luav, whose activity is institutionally devoted to teaching, training and research on the disciplines of Architecture, Urban Planning, Physical Planning, Restoration, Arts, Theatre and Design, is a qualified research and training centre with specific expertise in the field of urban theory, planning and housing policies in the research cluster "Housing in the City", also with regard to the network of relationships with numerous Italian and international specialised organizations, with whom luav maintains collaborative relationships in research, teaching, internships and other activities related to the primary functions of the University;
- IUT EU office is a non-governmental and not-for-profit organisation for global tenants whose purpose is promoting tenants' rights since 1926, doing research, and lobbying for Housing needs to be addressed locally, nationally and internationally.
- IUT EU office intends to acquire, develop and apply research methodologies in the field housing (especially in relation to European Housing policies in order to deepen the collaboration with the Academic research institutions in Italy and southern Europe.
- IUT EU office and luav intend to cooperate in all fields and disciplines of common interest and have scientific expertise in the field of housing policies and their implication in cities;

**IT IS HEREBY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:**

**article 1 – purpose**

luav and IUT EU office recognize the interest to activate forms of cooperation in order to develop and promote research on the topic concerning Housing Policies at EU level; Investment and EU funds concerning housing; on the lobbying and advocacy work of the IUT EU office in the countries covered by IUT; on the challenges that current tenants face in finding decent, affordable housing in the face of new EU regulations, such as those pertaining to energy efficiency; and on how to better regulate the current housing market to protect the right to housing of the most vulnerable tenants.

**article 2 – forms of collaboration**

The purposes indicated in the previous article may be followed through various forms of collaborative activities, including:

- Joint research projects such as Horizon Europe, NEB, Erasmus and other EU urban and housing related programs as much as pertinent ad hoc calls for research at EU, national and local level;
- Organization of lectures, symposia, international meetings, conferences and workshops;
- Exchange visits of faculty members, students and administrative staff;
- Use of research equipment and free access to the facilities of either institution in the forms and methods established by the Parties;
- Other research activities as mutually agreed.

**article 3 – commitment and economic aspects**

1. The specificity of individual activities, as referred to in the previous article, will be identified through separate and specific implementing agreements, in which specific mention must be made to the present MoU, in which the timetable for implementation and the distribution of any respective economic burdens will be determined.

2. The implementing agreements will also regulate the economic and insurance aspects between the parties, as well as the intellectual property rights and the publication of materials generated by programs undertaken by the parties.

**article 4 – scientific officers contacts**

1. IUT EU office identified as responsible for the implementation of this MoU Barbara Steenbergen.  
luav identified as responsible for the implementation of this agreement Laura Fregolent.

**article 5 – duration**

1.This memorandum of understanding has a validity of three years from the signing of the same and cannot be in any case automatically renewed, unless explicit declaration of all parties.

**article 6 – registration and stamp duty**

1.The registration of this Memorandum of Understanding will be made only in case of use, in accordance with current legislation. All related expenses shall be borne by the party requesting the recording. This Memorandum of Understanding is subject to stamp duty from the outset and is paid in full by luav for the amount of 32 euros in virtual mode by authorization of the Revenue Agency - Territorial Office of Venice n. 29074/1999.

**Article 7 - liaison offices**

1.The offices in charge of the execution and possible amendment or extension of this MoU are:

IUT liaison office to the EU  
  
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B-1200 Brussels  
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The present Memorandum of Understanding will be executed in one original copy in English and digitally signed according to Italian law (D. Lgs. n. 82/2005, L. n. 241/90).

The present Memorandum of Understanding is signed by:

IUT liaison office to the EU  
Head of EU office  
Barbara Steenbergen  
Signature

Date.....

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24.02.2025

Università luav di Venezia  
The Rector  
Benno Albrecht  
Signature

Date .....



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