



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
ACI EUROPE  
AND THE  
EUROPEAN DISABILITY FORUM**

Whereas ACI EUROPE (hereinafter referred to as “ACI EUROPE”), represented by its Director General, Mr Olivier Jankovec, incorporated in 1991 under company number BE431.887.748 whose registered office is at 10, rue Montoyer (Box 9) – 1000 Brussels (Belgium). ACI EUROPE is the European region of Airports Council International, the only worldwide professional association of airport operators, representing over 460 airports in 45 European countries handling over 90% of commercial air traffic in Europe.

Whereas the European Disability Forum, (hereinafter referred to as “EDF”), represented by Mr Yannis Yallouros, Member of the EDF Executive Committee, is a non-profit organization in the field of disability rights, with a membership comprising over 100 national and European organisations representing persons with disabilities.

ACI EUROPE and EDF are willing to cooperate in order to guarantee people with disabilities' right to enjoy a seamless travel experience and to benefit from accessible, comfortable and high-quality service and assistance on a non-discriminatory basis.

ACI EUROPE and EDF have agreed as follows:

**Article I: Aims of Cooperation**

1. ACI EUROPE and EDF agree to cooperate with the objective of pursuing, where necessary, policy alignment between the two organisations and related joint initiatives in the benefit of both parties
2. ACI EUROPE and EDF agree on practising an open communication policy to face challenges and general problems related to the provision of the assistance to people with reduced mobility and people with disabilities, with the aim to guarantee the right for all citizens to free movement.
3. ACI EUROPE and EDF agree on the principle to exchange information – including opinions and position papers – on any matter of European policy impacting the transport of people with reduced mobility and people with disabilities.
4. ACI EUROPE and EDF agree to collaborate on selected projects, which will be subject to separate agreements.



## **Article II: Areas of cooperation**

1. ACI EUROPE and EDF agree to cooperate on any matter including, but not limited to:
  - Terminal infrastructure and design
  - Information
  - Accessibility
  - Assistance
  - Disability awareness and disability equality training
2. ACI EUROPE and EDF agree to inform each other about events, seminars and conferences organized by the other and relevant within the framework of this agreement. If relevant, they shall invite each other and work together to organize joint events related to the selected projects.
3. Nothing in this agreement shall be deemed to represent a legal and/or financial implication or commitment on behalf of either of the parties.

## **Article III: Modalities of cooperation**

1. In the development and implementation of projects related to areas of mutual interest, ACI EUROPE and EDF may work in conjunction with other partners, as appropriate.
2. In the implementation of activities under this Memorandum of Understanding, ACI EUROPE and EDF shall act in accordance with their respective rules, regulations and policies.
3. ACI EUROPE and EDF will make every effort to inform each other of all relevant issues that might affect the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding and the activities to be implemented.

## **Article IV: Use of the name, acronym, flag and emblem**

1. Any use of the name, acronym, logo and emblem of ACI EUROPE shall be subject to prior written authorization from the Director of Media and Communications (or his/her designee) and to the terms and conditions established by ACI EUROPE.
2. Any use of the name, acronym, logo and emblem of EDF shall be subject to prior written authorization from the EDF communications officer (or his/her designee), and to the terms and conditions established by EDF.
3. Subject to the requirements established in Articles IV. 1 and IV. 2 above, each party will publicly acknowledge the contribution and cooperation of the other party in the implementation of joint activities.





#### **Article V: Entry into force, amendment and termination**

1. This Memorandum of Understanding will enter into force on the date of its signature by both parties, and will remain in effect for an initial period of 1 year. It will be automatically renewed for periods of 1 year unless terminated by either party by giving three months prior written notice to the other party. No such termination shall affect contractual obligations already entered into by either party under this Memorandum.
2. Any amendment to this Memorandum of Understanding will be effected by mutual agreement of ACI EUROPE and EDF through an appropriate exchange of letters.
3. Agreement and acceptance of this Memorandum of Understanding are indicated by the signature of the duly authorized representatives of ACI EUROPE and EDF.
4. This Memorandum is governed by Belgian law and is being executed in the English language, in two (2) original documents.

In witness thereof, we, the undersigned, warrant that we have the full authority to represent the two parties in the case of future joint activities, and that we agree to the conditions of this Memorandum.

Signed in Athens on 21 June 2016.

On behalf of EDF  
Mr Yannis Yallouros

On behalf of ACI EUROPE  
Mr Olivier Jankovec