

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME
AND
ECONOMIC POLICY RESEARCH NETWORK**

This Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) is entered into by the United Nations Development Programme (“UNDP”), a subsidiary organ of the United Nations, an intergovernmental organization established by its Member States with its headquarters in New York, NY (USA), and the Economic Policy Research Network (hereinafter “EPRN Rwanda”), headquartered in Gikondo, Kigali (Rwanda). UNDP and EPRN Rwanda are hereinafter referred to individually as a “Party” and jointly as the “Parties”;

WHEREAS, UNDP serves in many respects as the operational arm of the United Nations at the country level and works with partners in numerous countries to promote among other things sustainable development, eradication of poverty, advancement of women, good governance and the rule of law;

WHEREAS, UNDP represented by its Rwanda Office is interested in enhancing its development activities in fostering the adoption of evidence-based policies and promote policy dialogues;

WHEREAS, EPRN Rwanda is an organization duly organized under the laws of Rwanda and committed to contribute to the evidence based economic policy making by providing high quality research, building capacity and creating networking opportunities;

WHEREAS, the Parties share similar missions and wish to cooperate in areas of mutual concern to enhance the effectiveness of their development efforts;

WHEREAS, The Economic Policy Research Network (EPRN Rwanda) is a research network aiming at strengthening the capacities of individuals and organizations active in or with an interest in economic policy research and analysis. EPRN Rwanda therefore responds to economic policy gaps resulting mainly from lack of quality and informative research and the challenge of human capacity in terms of limited numbers of economic researchers and active involvement. EPRN is registered as local NGO under the Rwanda Governance Board; Legal Personality No: 403/RGB/NGO/LP/11/2018).

The common area of work with UNDP is mainly through enhancing evidence-based policy making, policy analysis and research.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties wish to express their intention to cooperate as follows:

3.4 The Parties may invite each other to send observers to meetings or conferences convened by them or under their auspices in which, in the opinion of either Party, the other may have an interest. Invitations will be subject to the procedures applicable to such meetings or conferences.

Article IV **Use of Name and Emblem and Publicity**

4.1 Neither Party will use the name, emblem or trademarks of the other Party, or any of its subsidiaries, and/or affiliates, or any abbreviation thereof, without the express prior written approval of the other Party in each case. In no event will authorization to use the UNDP name or emblem, or any abbreviation thereof, be granted for commercial purposes, or for use in any manner that suggests an endorsement by UNDP of the EPRN Rwanda's services.

4.2 The costs of public relations activities relating to the partnership will be the responsibility of EPRN Rwanda.

4.3 EPRN Rwanda acknowledges that it is familiar with UNDP's ideals and objectives and recognizes that its name and emblem may not be associated with any political or sectarian cause or otherwise used in a manner inconsistent with the status, reputation and neutrality of UNDP.

4.4 Nothing in this MOU grants to EPRN Rwanda the right to create a hyperlink to the UNDP website. Such link may be created only with UNDP's written authorization.

4.5 The Parties will recognize and acknowledge this partnership, as appropriate. To this end, the Parties will consult with each other concerning the manner and form of such recognition and acknowledgement.

Article V **Term, Termination, Renewal, Amendment**

5.1. The proposed cooperation under this MOU is non-exclusive and will have an initial term of two years from the Effective Date, as defined in Article X ("Effectiveness"), unless terminated earlier by either Party upon two months' notice in writing to the other Party. The Parties may agree to extend this MOU in writing for subsequent periods of two years.

5.2 Termination of this MOU will not affect any other agreements relating to the subject matter of this MOU which will, unless terminated or expired, continue to regulate the relationship between the Parties in accordance with the terms thereof.

5.3 This MOU may be amended only by mutual written agreement of the Parties.

8.2 EPRN Rwanda represents that it is a legal entity formed and existing under the law of Rwanda and has all the necessary powers, authority, and legal capacity to enter into this MOU and perform its obligations hereunder.

8.3 In the event of inconsistency between any provision of this Article VIII and a provision of another section of the MOU, this Article VIII shall prevail.

**Article IX
Privileges and Immunities**

Nothing in or relating to this MOU shall be deemed a waiver, express, or implied, of any of the privileges and immunities of the United Nations, including its subsidiary organs.

**Article X
Effectiveness**

This MOU will become effective on the date in which it is duly signed by both Parties ("Effective Date").

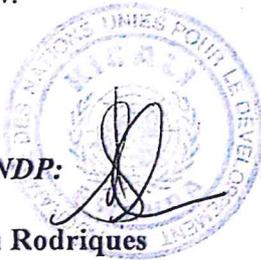
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the duly authorized representatives of the Parties affix their signatures below.

FOR UNDP:

Stephen Rodrigues
Name

Resident Representative
Title

06th March 2019
Date



FOR EPRN Rwanda

Dr Charles Ruranga
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Legal Representative
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06th March 2019
Date

