

DECLARATION OF INTENT

THE GOVERNMENT OF KOSOVO, represented by Mr. Skender HYSENI,
Minister of Foreign Affairs;

THE GOVERNMENT OF FLANDERS, represented by Mr. Geert BOURGEOIS,
Flemish Minister for Administrative Affairs, Foreign Policy, Media and Tourism;

HEREAFTER referred to as "the Parties",

IN THEIR wish to strengthen ties of friendship and cooperation, their mutual trust and belief in the shared values of freedom, democracy, justice and solidarity.

THE PARTIES HEREBY DECLARE THEIR INTENTIONS TO :

1. Consolidate and augment bilateral relations in order to establish the widest possible cooperation in all spheres within the competencies of the Parties;
2. Utilise and incorporate the renewed cooperation in the process of durable economic and social reconstruction and development in Kosovo;
3. In view hereof, to broaden existing contacts, to explore new cooperation possibilities, to develop and encourage joint projects, as far as they fall within the scope of the Flemish Cooperation Programme for Central and Eastern Europe (e.g. education and training, SMEs, housing, agriculture, rural development, transport, social development, science and innovation);
4. Strengthen mutual cooperation and aiming at encouraging a multicultural and tolerant society;
5. Encourage the cooperation and exchange between respective institutions, organisations and enterprises of the Parties in the abovementioned endeavours;

In execution of this:

1. Both Parties agree to stimulate mutual cooperation in the framework of the Flemish Cooperation Programme for Central and Eastern Europe. An annual call for projects will be launched . The Kosovar Party will nominate a contact point and distribute information on the possibilities for cooperation to interested organisations and institutions in Kosovo.

2. Subject to formal approval by the Government of Flanders, the Flemish Party intends to fund the following two projects:

Kosovo Mobility Covenant

Balkanactie: Agricultural development

3. The Flemish Party informs the Kosovar Party that the Institute for Agricultural and Fisheries Research (ILVO) is prepared to receive a number of young Kosovar researchers for a training course in Flanders.

Signed in Brussels, 10 July 2008.

For the Government of Kosovo,

For the Government of Flanders,



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