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Federal Chancellery
Republic of Austria

Republic of Estonia
Ministry of Justice
and Digital Affairs

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE FEDERAL CHANCELLERY OF THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA AND
THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE AND DIGITAL AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA
ON
COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF DIGITALISATION

The Federal Chancellery of the Republic of Austria and the Ministry of Justice and Digital Affairs of the Republic of Estonia, hereinafter referred to as "Partners", and individually as a "Partner" to this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as "MoU"),

based on the long-standing and traditionally friendly relations between the Republic of Austria and the Republic of Estonia;

taking into account the close relationship existing between the two States through their membership in the European Union;

desiring to strengthen their ties of friendship and to promote greater cooperation between them;

endeavoring to deepen cooperation within the areas covered by this MoU;

have reached the following Understanding:

ARTICLE 1

1. The Partners declare, within the framework of their respective domestic legislation and without prejudice to the rights and obligations emanating from international and domestic legislation binding for them, their intention to foster cooperation in the field of digitalisation.
2. The Partners will develop their cooperation by exchanging information, experience, know-how, and best practices.
3. Focus is laid on the practical collaboration in relevant strategic areas, key applications and initiatives which will be jointly defined and prioritised.

ARTICLE 2

1. The main areas of cooperation covered by this MoU are, without being limited to, the following:
    I. The Once Only Principle and its implementation (X Road (Estonia) and dadeX (Digital Austria Data Exchange));
    II. Single Digital Gateway Regulation and cross border data exchange;
    III. European Business Wallets.
2. The Partners will explore further areas of cooperation, e.g. in GovTech solutions, emerging technologies, cybersecurity, industrial digitalisation, smart mobility, and business sector cooperation through industry associations, B2B matchmaking and joint pilot projects.

ARTICLE 3

1. Any potential Project to be implemented in line with this MoU will be subject to a separate arrangement.
2. The Partners shall independently cover all costs associated with the implementation of this Memorandum.

ARTICLE 4

1. Each Partner will appoint points of contact responsible for the effective cooperation within the framework of this MoU:
    I. From the Estonian side: Estonian Association of Information Technology and Telecommunications, and Estonian Information System Authority;
    II. From the Austrian side: Federal Chancellery of the Republic of Austria.
2. Cooperation in the areas outlined in Article 2 of this MoU will be pursued through direct contacts between experts on the initiative of either Partner, facilitated by the designated points of contact.

ARTICLE 5

1. This MoU will not create any legal or financial rights or obligations.
2. The implementation of this MoU will be subject to the availability of appropriate funds and to the applicable laws and regulations of each State.
3. This MoU will enter into effect from the date of its signing and will remain effective for a period of five (5) years unless cancelled by one Partner giving six (6) months prior written notice to the other Partner. This MoU will be automatically extended for a further two (2) years if it is not cancelled six (6) months prior to its expiration date.
4. The cancellation of this MoU will not affect any projects that have been embarked upon in accordance with this MoU prior to the cancellation. The cancellation of this MoU will not

affect the implementation of the projects and programs upon which both Partners have reached an understanding.

5. This MoU may be modified by mutual understanding of both Partners in written form. Such modifications will take effect from the date of their signing.

Signed in Tallinn on 6.11.2026 in two original copies in the English language.

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