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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)**BETWEEN****The National Association of Italian Municipalities Lombardy (ANCI Lombardia)****AND****Trasparenzy international Italy****GIVEN THAT**

- ANCI Lombardia and Trasparenzy international Italy recognize the importance of transparency, integrity, and the fight against corruption within public institutions;
- The parties agree on the value of raising awareness, educating, and promoting understanding of whistleblowing legislation and its applications in local governments, public entities, and private companies;
- Promoting the whistleblowing model is essential to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of control systems, fostering a more ethical and accountable work environment;
- ANCI Lombardia and Trasparenzy international Italy aim to develop synergies and collaborations that facilitate the sharing of best practices, knowledge, resources, and tools for improving whistleblowing policies at the European level;

TERMS OF AGREEMENT:**1. Objectives of the Collaboration**

The parties commit to:

- Promoting the whistleblowing model and related legislation at the European level, to raise awareness among local governments, citizens, and other public and private organizations about the importance of reporting misconduct;
- Identifying and developing parallel initiatives and programs that support the adoption of whistleblowing policies in local governments and businesses at both national and European levels;
- Creating and strengthening networks among national and international authorities to share experiences, knowledge, and best practices in the field of whistleblowing and anti-corruption

This will be achieved through:

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- Organizing events, seminars, workshops, conferences, and training courses to raise awareness about whistleblowing;
- Participating in events, seminars, initiatives, and specialized courses on whistleblowing.

3. Commitments of the Parties

- The parties agree to:
 - Promote whistleblowing legislation through their institutional channels and among their members;
 - Support the dissemination of informational materials and best practices among Italian municipalities and publicly controlled companies;
 - Organize specific training events for Italian local administrations and public entities.

4. Knowledge Sharing and Best Practices

The parties will ensure the exchange of knowledge and best practices through:

- Sharing relevant reports, studies, data, and educational materials;
- Organizing regular meetings to discuss progress and plan future activities.

5. Duration and Implementation Modalities

This MoU will be valid for 12 months from the date of signing, with the possibility of renewal by mutual agreement between the parties.

Activities will be planned and implemented through periodic meetings.

6. Management and Coordination

The parties will appoint a coordinator responsible for managing and overseeing the activities outlined in this MoU. The coordinator will act as the main point of contact for all matters related to the implementation and monitoring of activities.

7. Confidentiality



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The parties agree to treat all exchanged information and sensitive data with confidentiality, in compliance with applicable data protection laws.

8. Final Provisions

- This MoU does not constitute a legally binding agreement but represents a mutual commitment to collaborate toward achieving common objectives.
- Any amendments or additions to this MoU must be agreed upon in writing by both parties.
- In the event of disputes regarding the interpretation or implementation of this MoU, the parties commit to resolving them amicably through dialogue and mediation.

Executed in Milan, on January 27.

For ANCI Lombardia:

Rinaldo Mario Redaelli – General Secretary



For Trasparenzy international Italy:

Michele Calleri - President

