MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between the

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represented by
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and the

UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE

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Olga Algayerova, Executive Secretary
PREAMBLE

In recognition of the importance of promoting the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the University of Geneva (UNIGE) and United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) agree to develop collaborative activities within the scope of the following Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

Article 1. Scope

This MoU sets a framework for collaboration between the UNIGE and UNECE in the area of academic and research activities of common interest, such as the organisation of colloquia, seminars, conferences, and cooperative research projects, including the exchange of relevant academic material and information contributing towards the development of Science Policy Interface between both institutions with a view to strengthening their contribution to the achievement of Agenda 2030.

Based on the established priorities of work of both institutions, the areas of collaboration within this MoU include, but may not be limited to the following categories:

- Economic cooperation and integration
- Environmental Policy
- Housing and Land
- Population and Gender
- Sustainable Energy.

Article 2. Specific collaborations

As the need arises for specific collaborative activities, individual agreements will be drawn to spell out their modalities, timing, and financing within the scope of this MoU and be signed by the authorized representatives of the Parties.

Article 3. Contacts

The contact persons within the framework of this MoU at the date of its entry into force are:

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Each Party may at any time by way of written notice to the other Party change its contact person.
Article 4. Duration and modification of the MoU

The present MoU shall be valid for five years as of the date of the final signature.

Any extension to this MoU shall be made in a written agreement signed by the authorized representatives of the Parties. In the absence of extension this MoU shall lapse at the end of five years.

In so far as they do not interfere with any activities in progress, amendments to this MoU may be made at any time, provided they are in writing and signed by the authorized representatives of the Parties.

In so far as the termination does not interfere with any activities in progress, this MoU may be terminated at any time before its end by one of the Parties, provided it is in writing and at least six months in advance.

Article 5. Dispute settlement

The Parties agree to seek an amicable resolution of any matter arising in connection with the application and/or interpretation of the present MoU in a spirit of cooperation and good faith through communication between the signatories of this MoU (or their successors), or their nominated representatives.

Article 6. Limitations

In no event shall this MoU, or any amendment hereof, operate to create financial or administrative or legal obligations on the part of either Party, nor does it prevent the Parties from pursuing the objectives set forth in this MoU on their own or with other third parties.

Article 7. Privileges and immunities

Nothing in or relating to the present MoU may be understood as constituting or implying a waiver from the privileges and immunities enjoyed by UNECE under the terms of the 1946 Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations.

Executed in 2 original Agreements.

For the University of Geneva

[Signature]

Professor Yves Flückiger
Rector

Date: 25.01.18

For UNECE

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Olga Algayerova
Executive Secretary

Date: 05 January 2018