

Cooperation Agreement

between

**The Herder Institute for Historical Research on East Central Europe –
Institute of the Leibniz Association in Marburg (Germany)**

and

**The Under and Tuglas Literary Institute of the Estonian Academy of Sciences
in Tallinn (Estonia)**

The Herder-Institut in Marburg, hereinafter referred to as 'HI', represented by Director Prof. Dr. Peter Haslinger, on the one hand, and the Under and Tuglas Literary Institute of the Estonian Academy of Sciences, hereinafter referred to as 'UTK', represented by Director Kristi Viiding, on the other hand, both hereinafter referred to as 'Parties', have concluded the following cooperation agreement (hereinafter referred to as the 'Agreement').

This Agreement is intended as a framework for cooperation and does not create legally binding financial obligations; specific activities will be governed by separate written arrangements.

1. Purposes of agreement

The Parties aim to establish and develop academic cooperation in areas of mutual interest in Baltic studies: history, book history, diaspora studies, history of literature and art, history of religion etc. We aim to engage with literature and culture in the Baltic region as an intersection, in the spirit of responsibility for the historical, present and future interconnectedness of Estonia and Germany in a united Europe, and to accept this as our shared task.

2. Areas of cooperation

The Parties have determined the following areas of joint activities:

- Mutual support through regular exchange of information about individual projects, conferences, exhibitions, and publications. Both institutions strive to keep each other informed about scientific developments and research projects at other institutions, as well as funding opportunities for research projects;
- Mutual exchange of books and journals;
- Developing and carrying out collaborative research projects;
- Creating exchange opportunities for the research staff;
- Organizing joint workshops, conferences and seminars, holding joint research dissemination events and releasing joint publications;
- Granting free access to libraries and archives of both institutions;
- Collaborating in the field of postdoctoral education;
- Exchanging expertise.

3. Funds

The Agreement does not impose any financial obligations on the Partners.

Financial terms of any activity in the frame of this agreement shall be determined in separately concluded agreements on the basis of available financial resources.

It is possible to involve other organizations and funds to finance the cooperation.

4. Duration of Agreement

The Agreement enters into force on the date on which both Parties sign it and shall remain in effect for a period of five years. The Agreement shall be renewed automatically for successive one-year periods if neither Party transmit a written notice of intention not to renew it no later than sixty calendar days prior to the expiration date.

5. Other conditions

The Parties can amend the Agreement by signing supplemental agreements by authorized representatives of both Parties.

The coordinators responsible for overseeing implementation of this Agreement shall be:

On behalf of the Herder Institute: Dr. Antje Johanning-Radžienė

On behalf of the Under and Tuglas Literary Institute of the Estonian Academy of Sciences: Dr Martin Klöker.

Intellectual property rights, publication arrangements, and authorship rules for any specific output shall be agreed in writing for each activity or project.

If the Parties exchange non-public information for the purpose of cooperation, they shall treat such information as confidential unless otherwise agreed in writing.

Any disagreements arising from the interpretation or implementation of this Agreement shall be resolved amicably through consultations between the Parties.

The Agreement is written in English in two copies – one for each of the Parties.

6. Addresses of the Parties

For the purpose of written notices under this Agreement, the Parties shall use the following contact details:

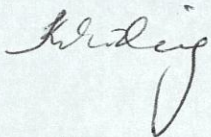
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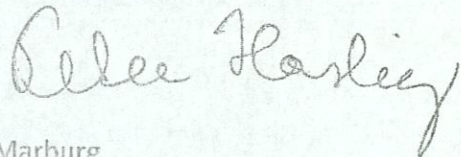
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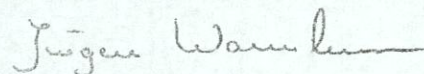
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