

## Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation between the World Federation of the Deaf (WFD) and the Central Committee of the Korean Federation for the Protection of the Disabled (KFPD)



Recognising that strengthening the cooperation between both the organisations will bring mutual benefits to the world deaf community, Korean Federation for the Protection of the Disabled and World Federation of the Deaf (hereinafter referred to as "Both Parties") come to the following common understanding which is firmly based on the articles and the spirit of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities:

| ARTICLE 1  | Both Parties intend to perform activities to accomplish multilateral support and exchange in the fields of Education, Culture, Arts, and Sports related to the deaf in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPR Korea) by focusing on establishing new cooperating relationships in both organisations based on the principle of mutual respect and trust.   |
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| ARTICLE 2  | Both Parties will lend their relevant expertise to the realisation of a pilot project 'Educational Center for Deaf, Blind, and Non-Disabled Children Hamhung' entrusted to the German non-governmental organisation 'TOGETHER-Educational Center for Deaf, Blind and Nondisabled Children Hamhung e.V' to improve the education of the deaf and the blind in the DPR Korea, and invite each other's delegations (specialists) in this context. |
| ARTICLE 3  | Both Parties will maintain the relationship of experience exchange, like in the sports and cultural activities of the deaf and promote favorable conditions for deaf people.   |
| ARTICLE 4  | Both Parties will cooperate to organise the GOOD FELLOWSHIP as the International Deaf Meeting in August / September every year in cooperation with the association 'TOGETHER-Educational Center for Deaf, Blind and Nondisabled Children Hamhung e.V'.   |
| ARTICLE 5  | Both Parties will offer and share detailed information including periodicals, publications and the like related to the deaf and conduct activities to improve the level of understanding about the deaf.   |
| ARTICLE 6  | Both Parties Intend to actively cooperate to establish a national organisation of the deaf in the DPR Korea.   |
| ARTICLE 7  | Both Parties, for the attainment of the purpose of the present Memorandum of Understanding, will organise meetings when needed and solve all occurring problems positively based on humanitarian principles.   |
| ARTICLE 8  | Both Parties will jointly evaluate the project implementation and will involve donating agencies and private donors according to project phases.   |
| ARTICLE 9  | Each Party will give planning assistance to the other Party when visiting each other's territory to carry out their tasks.   |
| ARTICLE 10 | The present Memorandum of Understanding will be valid and remain in force for four (4) years from the date of signature by the representatives of Both Parties, unless one of the Parties gives written notice to terminate or amend the Memorandum of Understanding with one (1) month's notice.  |
| ARTICLE 11 | The present Memorandum of Understanding signed on 9 February, 2012, in Helsinki, Finland will be made in two (2) original copies in English, both of which will have the same identical status.  |

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