



## **COOPERATION AGREEMENT**

**Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe**

**AND**

**Liberal Movement**

### **[1] Parties**

As a part of ALDE Party strategy for the upcoming electoral cycle, a newly expanded focus group offering has been developed. ALDE Party is offering a service to its member parties and stakeholders to expand the scope of the focus groups in exchange for a financial contribution, ensuring compliance with EU Regulation 1141/2014, which prohibits any form of direct or indirect support to member parties or candidates.

The Agreement is to be made between Liberal Movement (Gediminas Ave. 64, Vilnius, Lithuania), represented by Secretary General Lukas Kornelijus Vaičiakas and the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe, hereinafter named ALDE (Rue d'Idalie 11, 1050 Brussels, Belgium), represented by Deputy Secretary General, Sabine Dechamps.

### **[2] Nature of Business & Duration**

ALDE and Liberal Movement to co-operate on a qualitative research project with the aim of evaluating public opinion related to the European Union and liberal actors in Lithuania, to be completed by the end of June 2025, upon the terms and subject to the stipulations and conditions of this Agreement.

This Agreement shall become effective upon signature and will be terminated upon completion of the project.

### **[3] Mutual duties**

ALDE agrees to select, contract and coordinate with a research consultant to draft screening questionnaires, focus group guidelines, analyse focus group transcripts/recordings and create a country-specific report for Lithuania, as well as a report that describes shared challenges in all analysed countries.

ALDE agrees to contract local vendors to organise 4 in-person focus groups in Lithuania.

Liberal Movement agrees to contribute 1,920€ to extend the scope of the research proportionally to the financial contribution, and allow the analysis of focus groups to include some topics and questions relevant to their national context.

### **[4] Ownership**

ALDE will retain full ownership of all transcripts/recordings and resulting reports of the analysis in Lithuania. Based on the financial contribution to expand the scope of the focus group in Lithuania, Liberal Movement will receive access to their share of the data and resulting reports of the analysis.

If material from the research is used in publications, Liberal Movement needs to seek approval from ALDE Party, to conduct necessary compliance checks. Any publication needs to bear the logo of ALDE Party and a disclaimer, indicating that the project was funded with funds from the European Parliament. The publication of any documents that are Lithuania-specific will also contain the FNF Baltics logo.

Liberal Movement will not have access to or own any of the data that is derived from any other partnership in the country.

### **[5] Confidentiality**

Except where prior authorization in writing has been obtained from the ALDE Party, the partner undertakes, in respect of themselves, their staff and all people with access to the data, not to disclose to any unauthorized

person or third parties any facts, information, knowledge, documents or other matters communicated to them or brought to their attention in connection with performance of this agreement.

Except where prior authorization in writing has been obtained from the partner, the ALDE Party agrees not to disclose any of the data, or any information, that was paid for by the partner organisation with respect to their proportion of the partnership.

#### **[5] Meetings & Notice**

Either party has the right to call a meeting to discuss any matter relating to the progress, development, roll-out, or results of the project.

A minimum of one week's notice must be given before the proposed meeting date. Neither party is under an obligation to meet within the given notice period should there be a good faith reason not to do so.

The contemporaneous linking together by telephone or other means of audio communication (including without limitation video-conferencing with audio capability) between parties shall be deemed to constitute a meeting.

Both parties agree to hold a meeting after completion of the Agreement to evaluate the project's success and share recommendations.

#### **[6] Dispute resolution**

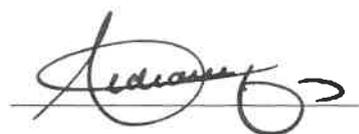
If at any time any dispute or question shall rise between the Parties about the Agreement, its accounts or transactions, its dissolution or arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, the Parties concerned shall refer the matter to mediation, and the mediator shall be appointed by agreement of all the parties to the dispute. This agreement is subject to Belgian law.

#### **[7] General**

This Agreement comprises the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes all agreements relating to the subject matter of this agreement. Each of the Parties acknowledges that he has not entered into this Agreement in reliance on, and shall have no remedies in respect of any representations or warranty that is not expressly set out in this Agreement.

Parties confirm they have taken and will take all the necessary measures to ensure the best they can that this agreement respects the provisions of Regulation 1141/2014 and of the EU financial Regulation in particular as regards the support to associated entities.

Brussels, 23 September 2025



Sabine Dechamps

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Lukas Kornelijus Vaičiakas

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