FRAMEWORK COLLABORATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN

The **People Caring for the Future Association** -GÖNDER/Türkiye

AND THE

PAU COSTA FOUNDATION

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Identification of the Parties

The **People Caring for the Future Association** (GÖNDER-Geleceği Önemseyenler Derneği), registered under identification number **03.05.2013/06109195 in Ankara, Türkiye**, hereinafter referred to as **"GÖNDER"**, duly represented by its Chair, **Mr. İsmail BELEN**, holder of Turkish national identity number **514 605 609 62**, residing at **204. Cadde L 5-2 23/c No:16, Yenimahalle, Ankara, Türkiye**;

and, on the other hand, the **Fundació Pau Costa**, holding identification number **CIF Spain: ESG55536098**, hereinafter referred to as the **"Pau Costa Foundation"**, duly represented by its General Director, **Mr. Jordi VENDRELL FLOTATS**, of Spanish nationality and holder of Spanish identification number **39374463G**, residing at **Avenida Mossèn Cinto Verdaguer, 42 esc. A bxs 2a, Taradell, Barcelona, Spain**;

hereinafter collectively referred to as the **"Parties"**, each having the necessary legal capacity to act and bind themselves, **agree to enter into the following agreement under the terms and conditions set forth below**.

Considering

1st) That GÖNDER is an NGO based in Ankara/Türkiye, whose mission is "to research, develop, implement, and produce sustainable solutions in cooperation with stakeholders, particularly in artificial intelligence and advanced technologies, as well as in natural resources, environment, health, education, agriculture, and social fields."

2nd) That, as part of its institutional mission and strategic objectives, it develops and implements comprehensive programs to protect against wildfires, focusing on the prevention and mitigation of wildfire damage, ensuring preparedness through resource allocation, enhancing response capabilities, controlling active fires, and facilitating the restoration and rehabilitation of affected areas.

3rd) That GÖNDER intends to extend its field of action and its programs to other areas and places and to relate, in addition, with organizations and entities linked to the analysis and planning of management in forest fire protection, research prevention, damage mitigation and fire extinction, as well as to the dissemination and the implementation of actions that involve such activities.

4th) That the purpose of the Pau Costa Foundation is the study and development of knowledge, techniques and tools for the education, planning, management and action against wildfires, the training of personnel in this field, the acquisition and dissemination of knowledge in the field of fire ecology, the study of fire behavior in general, through the analysis of prescribed fires and forest fires, as well as the methods to extinguish them and the causes that originate them.

5th) That the Pau Costa Foundation, through its active members in operational entities, is aware of the needs for materials, products and tools required by the fire services involved in the planning and execution of prescribed fires and in the extinguishing of wildfires. The Pau Costa Foundation also knows the technological needs derived from the analysis and management of wildfire extinction in order to improve its efficiency, safety and the tools for training.

6th) That the Pau Costa Foundation maintains, through its founding members, direct contacts with the scientific, university and research world, as well as with public and private companies and has the capacity to propose research, development and innovation in order to develop state-of-the-art products, methodologies and policies adapted to the needs of the operational and management of controlled burns and forest fires.

7th) That, the Pau Costa Foundation is acting as a capitalizer of knowledge and experience in the world of the use of fire and wildfire at European and international level.

8th) That, finally, it is the aim of Pau Costa Foundation to foster international cooperation development programs based on the above-mentioned topics to empower national, regional and local stakeholders and networks to develop their own products, methodologies, capacities and policies, and provide international knowledge, experiences and lessons to assist them on this purpose.

In consideration of the foregoing, the Parties hereby agree to this Agreement, governed by the following clauses:

Terms and Conditions

First- Mutual Exchange of Knowledge and Experience

The Pau Costa Foundation and GÖNDER express their mutual interest in exchanging knowledge, experiences, and professional contributions at both technical and operational levels in the broad field of wildfire management and prevention.

Such exchanges may take place through joint projects, activities, or technical meetings. The Pau Costa Foundation may include these exchanges in its programmes in Spain, while GÖNDER may facilitate them in the countries where it operates.

Both parties also express their interest in exploring joint participation in international projects.

Second- Areas and Scope of Cooperation

The exchanges of knowledge and experience will address, in general, capacity building, planning, research and wildfire management in the prevention and mitigation of wildfire damage, risk and fire behavior prediction.

They will also include the preparation of human, material, ground and aerial resources to detect and control wildfires, fire suppression and forest restoration, as well as any other knowledge and experience that may be of interest to the Parties in the field of wildfire protection.

Third- Establishment and Functioning of the Technical Committee

In order to promote the development of this Agreement, the Pau Costa Foundation and GÖNDER shall establish, within thirty days after the signing of this instrument, a Technical Committee composed of two members from each of the Parties.

The function of the Committee shall be to plan activities and establish specific work programs at the initiative of the Parties, define the tasks and responsibilities of each one of them, manage the execution of the programmed tasks, supervise their development and prepare the corresponding reports.

Likewise, it shall define, when appropriate, the financing methods for each of the activities to be developed in the application of this Agreement and shall clarify and resolve in good faith any doubts of interpretation that may arise during the term of this Agreement.

The agreed work programs shall be accepted and signed by the Parties and shall form part of this Agreement.

The Committee shall meet with prior notice and on a regular basis physically at either of the two headquarters, virtually or communicating through the use of other technologies.

In the development of its management, the Committee may, when necessary, agree on the presence and participation of the advisors and experts of the Parties that it deems convenient.

Fourth- Confidentiality and Use of Information

Both Parties undertake to maintain the confidentiality of the subjects and matters dealt with between GÖNDER and the Pau Costa Foundation, whenever so required by either of them. Specific confidentiality agreements will be drawn up whenever, due to the subject matter involved, if necessary. If one party wishes to disseminate or use the information generated, it must request prior express authorization from the other party.

Fifth- Nature of the Agreement and Liability of the Parties

This Convention reflects the intention to collaborate and, therefore, not to create legally enforceable obligations. The Parties intend to express their intentions without creating binding rights or obligations unless otherwise specified in the work programs to be established.

Specifically, the Parties state that this Agreement does not constitute or give rise to any employment relationship between the employees of either Party with the other. For the sake of clarity, there is and shall be no any dependency or subordination between the personnel of one of the Parties with respect to the other.

Consequently, none of the Parties has any obligation with respect to the other for labor remunerations, social security contributions or other benefits derived from labor relations or services rendered with respect to the personnel of each of the Parties, which shall always be the responsibility of the respective institution.

The Parties individually assume the labor responsibility with respect to the human resources that each one of them contributes for the realization of the actions agreed in the present Agreement. Likewise, they assume their legal responsibility in relation to third parties they hire, and the party that hired the worker in question shall hold the other party harmless from any liability in case of labor conflicts caused by the personnel of the first party.

Sixth- Ownership of Results and Intellectual Property

All documents and works resulting from this collaboration shall be of shared property between the Parties, unless otherwise negotiated and agreed in the Technical Committee established in the third clause.

Seventh- Termination of the Agreement

This Agreement may be terminated by mutual agreement of the signatory entities, due to the supervening legal or material impossibility to execute the actions that are the object of the Agreement or due to a serious or manifest breach of its clauses.

Eight-- Duration, Renewal and Amendment

This Agreement shall be effective as of the date of its signature and may be modified and extended by mutual agreement between the Parties. Its duration is established for a period of two years. If neither of the Parties states otherwise one month prior to the end of its term or extension, the Agreement shall be renewed in successive annual periods.

Ninth- Representation and Communication Details

The legal capacity of Mr. İsmail BELEN to represent The People Caring for the Future Association -Geleceği Önemseyenler Derneği-GÖNDER/Türkiye,

Any information addressed to GÖNDER will be forwarded to its offices at the following postal address:
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The capacity of Mr. Jordi Vendrell to represent the Pau Costa Foundation, in his capacity as General Director of the Fundació Pau Costa, by virtue of the powers granted on February 5, 2025 before the Notary of Barcelona, Mr. Manuel Piquer Belloch, with the number 506 of his protocol.

Any information addressed to the Pau Costa Foundation will be sent to its central offices, according to this postal address:

Pau Costa Foundation
To the attention of Jordi Vendrell - Executive Director
Mossèn Cinto Verdaguer 42, bxs A , Postcode: 08552,
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Country: Spain

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As proof of their agreement and conformity with the terms herein, the Parties execute this Agreement electronically on this **9th day of October, 2025.**

Signatures



İsmail BELEN
Chair of the Steering Committee
GÖNDER

Jordi VENDRELL
Executive Director
Pau Costa Foundation