



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF LESOTHO
AND
THE WELSH GOVERNMENT
ON THE STRENGTHENING OF BILATERAL RELATIONS
AND COOPERATION

PREAMBLE

The Government of the Kingdom of Lesotho and the Welsh Government thereafter jointly referred to as "the Parties" and in the singular as a "Party".

DESIRING to strengthen bilateral relations to the mutual benefit of both governments;

CONSIDERING the need to address the challenges of sustainable development and economic growth in order to achieve the United Nations' Millennium Development Goals;

EXPRESSING their desire to encourage and promote cooperation in fields of common interest;

Have reached the following understanding:

Article 1 General Objectives

This Memorandum of Understanding establishes the shared vision of the Parties to work together to encourage and facilitate cooperation between the Kingdom of Lesotho and the Welsh Government in areas of common interest.

Article 2 Possible Areas for Cooperation

Without prejudice to a possible future extension to other areas, as mutually agreed upon, the Parties intend to cooperate within their capacity in the following fields:

- (a) Energy, meteorology and water,
- (b) Agriculture and Food Security,
- (c) Gender and Youth, Sports and Recreation,
- (d) Health.
- (e) Education

Article 3

The Parties may facilitate exchange visits by experts and delegations in the areas listed in Article 2.

Article 4

The Parties intend to assist as far as is possible competent institutions, organisations and businesses to cooperate in the areas listed in Article 2, seeking to explore and take advantage of existing innovative instruments of cooperation. Insofar as it has the power to do so, any competent institution, organisation or business may enter into a separate agreement with regard to strengthening the general objective of this Memorandum of Understanding.

Article 5

The Parties undertake to settle the differences that may arise in relation to the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding through friendly mutual consultations and negotiations.

Article 6 Cancellation

This Memorandum of Understanding may be cancelled by either party giving six (6) months written notice.

Article 7 Amendments

Any amendment to this Memorandum of Understanding shall be effected by the written mutual understanding of both Parties.

Article 8 Entry into Force and Effect

- (1) This Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force on the date of signature by both Parties and shall, subject to earlier cancellation, be in force for three years. It shall be automatically renewed year by year provided that neither party gives the other Party written notice of its intention to cancel its effectiveness in accordance with Article 6.
- (2) This Memorandum of Understanding is not intended to create legally binding obligations between the Parties

Done in duplicate, on this ⁴.....day of *APRIL* 2014 in English

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**FOR THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE KINGDOM OF LESOTHO**

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**FOR THE
WELSH GOVERNMENT**