

City of Science Darmstadt



Confirmation of Agreement on the Establishment of Friendship City Relationship between City of Darmstadt, Germany and City of San Antonio, Texas, USA

Building on the Letter of Intent signed July 2, 2015 by Jochen Partsch, Lord Mayor of Darmstadt, and Ivy R. Taylor, Mayor of San Antonio, and seeking to further consolidate and develop mutual friendly cooperation and to strengthen the understanding and friendship between the peoples of the two countries, the City of Darmstadt, Germany and the City of San Antonio, Texas, U.S.A. have reached agreement concerning the establishment of friendship city relations between the two cities through the below activities:

- 1. Both parties agree to further strengthen friendly exchanges, expand cooperation, promote friendship between the peoples of both cities and carry out various friendly activities.
- 2. Both parties will make joint efforts to promote economic cooperation and bilateral trade and to enhance bilateral exchange and cooperation in the fields of:
 - Information and Communication Technologies/Cybersecurity
 - Aerospace/Aviation
 - Health-Care and Bio-Sciences
 - Sustainability and Energy
 - Heritage Tourism and Travel
 - Cultural and Educational Exchange
 - Immigration and Society
- 3. It is decided by both parties that the International Relations Office of San Antonio and the Office of Intercultural and International Affairs of Darmstadt will conduct concrete liaisons, arrangements and implementation of the friendly exchange and cooperation programs between the two cities on behalf of its respective municipal government.
- 4. As for the matters that were not mentioned in the Agreement, the two municipal governments will decide upon them through friendly negotiation under the conditions of mutual understanding and friendship.

This Agreement is an expression of cooperative relations and understanding only. It does not establish a joint venture, partnership or any other business between the Parties nor does it commit or obligate either Party to take any of the actions contemplated by this

Agreement. Also, it is not intended to create any legal obligations under domestic or international law between the Parties.

In witness whereof, authorized representatives of the respective parties hereto sign this Agreement in two original copies, duplicated both in English and German, each text being equally authentic.

Ivy R. Taylor

Mayor of San Antonio

Jochen Partsch Lord Mayor of Darmstadt

April 29, 2016

