

# Memorandum of Understanding between Aberdeen City Council and the City of Barranquilla Special District



Recognising the importance of expanding cooperation and enhancing economic growth in benefit of the Energy sector, and;

To pursue mutual opportunities in common, through interaction in both public and private sectors;

Barranquilla City and Aberdeen City Council agrees to enter into a three-year Memorandum of Understanding to continue to build on the relationship between our two communities where we have identified common goals and objectives;

## To that end, the parties have reached the following agreements:

1. Promote collaboration between Aberdeen and Barranquilla as key strategic partners around the development of the energy sector in each city
2. Promote and facilitate civic and trade delegations between the two cities, when opportunities arise
3. The transfer of experience, best practice, information and resource to help achieve the aim of increasing investment and productivity in this sector to the benefit of both Barranquilla and Aberdeen
4. Enhance opportunities to build relationships between relevant public and private sector entities within the cities

5. Aberdeen is to continue to collaborate with Barranquilla through WECP and assist with planning and preparation for Barranquilla to host a WECP AGM
6. Barranquilla is to work closely with Aberdeen's energy supply chain to identify the products and services needed within its market
7. Promote collaboration between Aberdeen and Barranquilla on energy transition through WECP strategic projects
8. Actively promote investment opportunities in Barranquilla to the Aberdeen energy supply chain
9. Aberdeen to assist Barranquilla to build on skills and capabilities within the energy industry
10. Explore opportunities for collaboration between the cities within the cultural sector

The above understandings will be reviewed annually at a civic meeting to be held in each city on an alternate year basis. The signatory cities will review this MoU until September 23rd 2024, to note progress and refresh content as deemed appropriate.

## Outcomes

The signatory cities agree to focus on activity that will generate business, jobs and growth outcomes for both cities. With that in mind, the signatory cities will endeavour to collect data on existing business, technical and academic activity between the two cities and monitor this as the MoU progresses.

On Behalf of Barranquilla

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