DECLARATION OF INTENT

Regarding the Establishment and Hosting of the Long-Term Secretariat of the European Higher Education Area (EHEA) in Bucharest, Romania

Having regard to Romania's longstanding commitment to the values, principles and objectives of the Bologna Process and to the continued development of an inclusive, innovative and interconnected European Higher Education Area,

The Ministry of Education and Research of Romania, represented by Valentin-Sorin COSTREIE, Minister, hereby reaffirms its commitment to:

1. **Hosting the EHEA Long-Term Secretariat in Bucharest** in accordance with the terms described in the Romanian application submitted to the BFUG within the call for expression of interest and subsequently approved.

2. Supporting the Legal Establishment of the Association by working closely with the other founding members to facilitate a timely and legally sound establishment process.

The Ministry of Education and Research of Romania expresses its gratitude to the BFUG members for their support in establishing the Long-Term Secretariat, in accordance with the EHEA and BFUG Rules of Procedure and the applicable Romanian legal framework.

Valentin-Sorin COSTREIE
Minister

Bucharest, Romania

2 November 202