## **Memorandum of Understanding**

Academic Exchanges and Cooperation for the 2025 Seoul World Congress of IPSA
Local Organizing Committee (LOC) of the Seoul World Congress of IPSA
Korean Political Science Association (KPSA), Japanese Political Science Association (JPSA),
and Chinese Association of Political Science - Taipei (CAPS)

December 1, 2023

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is made and entered on to set the terms and understanding between the Local Organizing Committee of the Seoul World Congress of IPSA and the three PSAs in East Asia: the Korean Political Science Association, the Japanese Political Science Association, and the Chinese Association of Political Science — Taipei (collectively referred to as "PSAs") to cooperate for the successful organization of the 2025 Seoul World Congress of IPSA.
The three PSAs in East Asia have developed a tradition of vibrant bilateral and trilateral exchanges and cooperation among them, including, among others, bilateral visits and attendance of annual conferences, participation in KPSA's World Congress of Korean Politics and Society, and three consecutive organizations of East Asian PSAs' Presidential Roundtable at IPSA's World Congress.
In 2025, the Republic of Korea will host the World Congress again since 1997, under the overarching theme of "Resisting Autocratization in Polarized Societies." In light of this important opportunity, the LOC of the 2025 Seoul World Congress proposes a MOU with the three PSAs in East Asia for academic exchanges and institutional cooperation for the successful organization of the 2025 Seoul World Congress.
The above goals will be accomplished by undertaking the following activities:
<ol> <li>Participation in the East Asian subcommittee of the LOC of the 2025 Seoul World Congress of IPSA.</li> </ol>
2. Funding for the East Asian Solidarity Fund for the Global South.
3. Co-organization of the Presidential Roundtable and several thematic and sub-disciplinary sessions at the 2025 Seoul World Congress of IPSA.
This MOU shall become effective upon signature by the authorized officials from the three PSAs and will remain in effect until modified or terminated by any one of the partners by mutual consent.  Date: 202 120
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Min-Hua Huang, Chinese Association of Political Science - Taipei (CAPS), President