



## Joint Letter of Intent between the Scottish Government and

## the Bavarian State Ministry of Economic Affairs, Regional Development and Energy

Under the umbrella of the Joint declaration of Intent signed on 24 March 2017 between the Scottish Government and the Bavarian State Ministry of Economic Affairs and Media, Energy and Technology, the Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero, Energy and Transport of the Scottish Government and the State Ministry of Economic Affairs, Regional Development and Energy of the Free State of Bavaria (hereinafter referred to as the Parties) are committed to extending further their cooperation across business, enterprise, trade and innovation and research in the field of green hydrogen in particular. Accordingly, they have come to the following understanding:

- 1. Specific areas of cooperation may include among others:
  - Green hydrogen trade, with Scotland as a green energy export market and Bavaria as a green energy import market (exploration of export and import potential and suitable hydrogen logistics routes including the associated infrastructure, certification, identification and support of joint B2B pilot and demonstration projects – this may include engagement with further German partners as appropriate);
  - Green hydrogen technologies along the entire hydrogen value chain with reciprocal technology export markets (market development through scale-ups and corresponding economies of scale, identification and support of joint B2B pilot and demonstration projects on an industrial scale);
  - Collaboration in Innovation, Research & Development (identifying research priorities in the fields of hydrogen production, storage, transport, conversion and use).
- 2. Cooperation under this Joint Letter of Intent shall take the following forms:
- Investigating opportunities to promote trade relations, including by means of industry missions and two-way investment opportunities.
- Exploring, supporting and promoting business-led relations and exchange opportunities, particularly to promote innovation and scale-up and to support the energy transition through utilisation of hydrogen technologies, including those facilitated by our respective chambers of commerce, industry associations and

networking organisations (such as the Scottish Hydrogen and Fuel Association and the Hydrogen.Bavaria Center (H2.B);

- Supporting scientific collaboration between Scottish and Bavarian research institutions;
- Promoting and highlighting the importance of the energy transition, including the development of a green hydrogen economy through appropriate PR activities, conferences and other formats.
- 3. To coordinate and develop proposals for the implementation of this Joint Letter of Intent the Parties will establish a roadmap to identify joint priorities and to explore ways to realise the results of this Declaration of Intent.
- 4. Both Parties acknowledge that this Letter of Intent is not exclusive and does not create any rights and obligations that are binding under international law. Any disputes shall be settled by way of consultation.
- 5. Each Party shall bear its own costs incurred in the implementation of this Joint Declaration of Intent.
- 6. This Joint Letter of Intent may be amended or terminated by mutual agreement of the Parties in writing.
- 7. The Joint Letter of Intent shall enter into force on the date of its signing.

This Joint Letter of Intent is signed in two original copies in the English language, all copies being equivalent.

Signed on 13 June 2022 in Glasgow

For the Scottish Government

For the Bavarian State Ministry of Economic Affairs, Regional Development and Energy

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