### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING



between



# THE CZECH SOCIETY OF SOIL SCIENCE (ČPS)

c/o Faculty of Science, Palacký University 17. listopadu 12, Olomouc, Czech Republic represented by Prof. Dr. Bořivoj Šarapatka

and

## THE GERMAN SOIL SCIENCE SOCIETY (DBG)

Nikolaistraße 29, D-37073 Göttingen represented by Prof. Dr. Daniela Sauer

The Czech Society of Soil Science (ČPS) and The German Soil Science Society (DBG) hereby agree to establish and support cooperative relationships, which will strengthen the development of joint educational and research projects. Both institutions will encourage direct contacts and cooperation between the members of their community subject to the provisions of this Memorandum.

#### Article 1

Within the fields of study which will be mutually designated, ČPS and DBG agree to the following general forms of cooperation:

- 1. Stimulate exchange of teachers, researchers and doctoral students;
- 2. Promote joint organisation of courses, excursions, conferences and seminars, public events and campaigns;
- 3. Encourage joint research projects including projects eligible for governmental and other grants.

Other areas of collaboration and cooperative projects related to them may be identified and developed in the future. Prior approval of both societies is required for the initiation of any project developed under the terms of this Memorandum.

#### Article 2

The terms of joint activities, conditions for utilising the results achieved, and arrangements for specific visits, exchanges and other forms of cooperation will be negotiated for each specific activity. A task force with two representatives from each society will be established in order to initiate and coordinate joint activities. It is also understood that any financial arrangements will be negotiated and agreed in writing for each specific case and will depend upon the availability of funds.

### Article 3

The Memorandum will become valid and effective upon the date of signature by the representatives of both societies.

### Article 4

The official representative of either institution may terminate the Memorandum by a written notice at least six months before the termination becomes effective, and the time notice becomes valid from the date of the notice delivery to the other side. Such a termination shall not affect the rights of anybody who participated in the activities under this Memorandum prior to the receipt of such notice.

#### Article 5

The Memorandum is signed in four original copies in English.

On behalf of Czech Society of Soil Science (ČPS):

Date: 20,5,2024

Prof. Dr. Bořivoj Šarapatka

President

On behalf of German Soil Science Society (DBG):

Date: 20/05/2024

Prof. Dr. Daniela Sauer President