

## **Barnahus / Children`s House**

THIS DECLARATION is made and entered into

As of the 9th of October 2018

By and between the parties named below.

*WHEREAS, the parties named below are committed to provide a coordinated community process of investigating cases in which children may have been victims to sexual abuse;*

*WHEREAS, the parties named below are committed to a process which provides the least traumatic and disruptive investigative interventions with children;*

*WHEREAS, the parties named below are committed to coordinating and providing medical and mental health interventions for child victims/ witnesses and their families; and*

*WHEREAS, the parties named below are committed to developing and maintaining a child-friendly setting where interviews, treatment and other services may take place for children who may have been sexually abused;*

*NOW THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:*

***To support the creation, development, implementation, and operation of a Children`s House in accordance with the National Guidelines for Barnahus in Slovenia and the Roadmap towards establishing, operating and evaluating Barnahus in Slovenia and that progressively meets the European Barnahus Quality Standards wherein a multidisciplinary team approach will be utilized in the assessment, investigation, prosecution, and referral for medical and therapeutic treatment for children who may have been abused.***

**Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Slovenia**

**Andreja KATIČ, Minister of Justice**

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**Ministry of, Labour, Family, Social affairs and equal opportunities of the Republic of Slovenia**

**Mag. Ksenija KLAMPFER, Minister of Labour, Family, Social affairs and Equal opportunities**

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**Ministry of Health of the Republic of Slovenia**

**Pia VRAČKO, State Secretary,**

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**Ministry of Interior of the Republic of Slovenia**

**Natalija KOVAČ JEREB, State Secretary**

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**Supreme Court of the Republic of Slovenia**

**dr. Mateja Končina Peternel**

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**The office of the State Prosecutor General of the Republic of Slovenia**

**Drago ŠKETA, State Prosecutor General**

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**General Police Directorate**

**Jože SENICA, Deputy Director General of the Police**

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