AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN AND THE BUREAU INTERNATIONAL DES EXPOSITIONS REGARDING PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES RELATED TO THE EXPO 2025 OSAKA, KANSAI, JAPAN

The Government of Japan and the Bureau International des Expositions,

Taking into account that Japan is a member of the Bureau International des Expositions and a party to the Convention relating to International Exhibitions signed at Paris on 22 November 1928 and supplemented by the Protocols of 10 May 1948, 16 November 1966, 30 November 1972 and the Amendment of 24 June 1982 and the Amendment of 31 May 1988, which entitles the Bureau International des Expositions to conclude with states and international organisations agreements relating to such privileges and immunities as are necessary for the exercise of the functions entrusted to it by the Convention,

Considering that Japan will host the Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai, Japan from 13 April 2025 to 13 October 2025 under the theme "Designing Future Society for our Lives", registered by the Bureau International des Expositions at the 167th session of the General Assembly of 1 December 2020, and

Desiring to regulate the affairs regarding the privileges and immunities related to the Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai, Japan in the territory of Japan,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

For the purpose of this Agreement:

(a) the term "Exhibition" means the Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai, Japan which will take place in Osaka, Japan from 13 April 2025 to 13 October 2025;

(b) the term "Official Participant" means any State or international organisation that has accepted the formal invitation from the Government of Japan to participate in the Exhibition;

(c) the term "Section Commissioner-General" means the representative appointed by each Official Participant for the functions provided in Article 13 of the Convention;

(d) the term "Office of the Section Commissioner-General" means any individual, corporation or other body designated in advance as Office of the Section Commissioner-General by each Official Participant through the One Stop Shop referred to in Article 13 of this Agreement;

(e) the term "staff of the Office of the Section Commissioner-General" means the Section Commissioner-General, the Section Deputy Commissioner-General, the Pavilion Director and direct employees of each Office of the Section Commissioner-General;

(f) the term "Convention" means the Convention relating to International Exhibitions signed at Paris on 22 November 1928 and supplemented by the Protocols of 10 May 1948, 16 November 1966, 30 November 1972 and the Amendment of 24 June 1982 and the Amendment of 31 May 1988;

(g) the term "BIE" means the Bureau International des Expositions;

(h) the term "representatives of the BIE" means the Secretary General of the BIE, the President and Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly of the BIE and the officials of the BIE Secretariat;

(i) the term "Organiser" means the Japan Association for the 2025 World Exposition;

(j) the term "non-commercial activities connected with the Exhibition" means activities related to the preparation, operation and publicity of the Exhibition and other activities pertaining to the Exhibition and excludes the sales of foods and beverages, the sales of merchandise, the organisation of events with entrance fees and other activities for profit; and

(k) the term "dependants" means the spouse of the staff of the Offices of the Section Commissioners-General and the representatives of the BIE and his/her children below the age of 20 and includes children aged 20 and above if they are mentally or physically incapacitated and thus incapable of self-support.