

**FRIENDSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AHMEDABAD  
(INDIA) AND VALLADOLID (SPAIN).**

**Hon. Kanaji Thakore, Mayor of the City Council of Ahmedabad, (India).**

AND

**Excmo. Sr. D. Francisco Javier León de la Riva, Mayor of the City Council  
of Valladolid (Spain).**

Hereby EXPRESS that:

1º.- The parties are interested in opening lines of collaboration between the cities of Ahmedabad and Valladolid which will facilitate international cooperation and will contribute to improve the quality of life of their communities.

2º.- Aware of the fact that collaboration between cities offers a unique opportunity to improve knowledge about other cities' day-to-day lives, to communicate and exchange experiences and to set up joint projects which centre on issues of common concern, both parties express their interest in establishing permanent contact channels.

3º.- More specifically, the City of Ahmedabad and Valladolid came into contact during the past EUROINDIA FORUM 2008, which took place in Goa from April 3 to 5 2008. In that Forum, the Mayors of both cities expressed their interest in signing a collaboration agreement between Valladolid and Ahmedabad.

4º.- Both parties, as evidenced in the meeting held by the representatives of both cities on the date of signature of the present document, have reached an understanding and have expressed their interest in establishing lines of permanent relationship.

In order to reach these objectives, both cities, by signing the present document, reflect their will to cooperate along the lines of the following

## CLAUSES

1º.- the city of Ahmedabad and Valladolid agree to facilitate means to the exchange of experiences in the area of Heritage Conservation and Promotion of Tourism, among other areas which may arise of interest to both cities.

2º.- Both City Corporations, on the basis of this Treaty, will foster the interest in their communities in order to bring the cities together, extending their efforts to all institutions, public or private, companies and to their citizens.

3º.- In order to make the good-will reflected in the present document effective, both parties will agree on a project plan, presided over by the spirit of understanding born from the meeting which took place on the date of signing of the present Treaty of Friendship.

In witness whereof, the parties sign the present Agreement in Valladolid, on October 4, 2008.

Kanaji Thakore  
ALCALDE DE AHMEDABAD

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ALCALDE DE VALLADOLID