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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012<sup>1</sup> of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (hereinafter referred to as the Financial Regulation), and in particular Articles 54(2)a and 84(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Article 84(2) of the Financial Regulation and Article 94(1) of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 of 29 October 2012 on the rules of application of Regulation (EU) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, the commitment of expenditure from the Union budget shall be preceded by a financing decision setting out the essential elements of the action involving expenditure and adopted by the institution or the authorities to which powers have been delegated by the institution.
- (2) Article 54(2)a of the Financial Regulation provides that appropriations for actions carried out by the Commission as pilot projects of an experimental nature designed to test the feasibility of an action and its usefulness may be implemented without a basic act.
- (3) This maximum contribution set by the present Decision should cover any claims for interest due for late payment on the basis of Articles 92 of the Financial Regulation and 111(4) of the Rules of Application.
- (4) The term "substantial change" within the meaning of Article 94(4) of the Rules of Application should be defined for the purposes of applying this decision

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1*

This financing decision on the pilot project in the field of online learning and skills, as set out in the Annex, is adopted. It constitutes a financing decision within the meaning of Article 84 of the Financial Regulation.

*Article 2*

The maximum contribution authorised by this Decision for the implementation of this pilot project is set at EUR 1 500 000, and shall be financed from the following line of the General Budget of the European Union for 2014:

- budget line 09 04 77 01: EUR 1 500 000

These appropriations may also cover interest due for late payment.

*Article 3*

Changes to the maximum contribution set in Article 2 of this Decision not exceeding 10% shall not be considered substantial, provided that they do not significantly affect the nature and objective of the action.

The authorising officer responsible may adopt such changes in accordance with the principle of sound financial management and principle of proportionality.

*Article 4*

The Decision is addressed to the authorising officer by delegation, namely the Director-General of DG Communication Networks, Content and Technology.

Done at Brussels, 14.5.2014

*For the Commission*  
*Neelie Kroes*  
*Vice President*