K. Financial support to third parties

Where this possibility is indicated under the relevant topic, proposals which foresee a financial support to third parties\(^1\), shall clearly detail the objectives and the results to be obtained and include at least the following elements:

- a closed list of the different types of activities that qualify for financial support,
- the persons or categories of persons which may receive financial support,
- the criteria for awarding financial support
- the criteria for calculating the exact amount of the financial support,
- the maximum amount to be granted to each third party (may not exceed EUR 60 000 for each third party unless it is necessary to achieve the objectives of the action)

The financial support may also take the form of a prize awarded following a contest organised by the beneficiary.

In such case proposals shall clearly detail at least the following elements:

- the conditions for participation;
- the award criteria;
- the amount of the prize;
- the payment arrangements.

Further boundary conditions regarding the above listed elements or other elements may be laid down in the relevant call allowing a financial support to third parties.

The grant beneficiary must ensure that recipients of the financial support allow the Commission, the European Anti-fraud Office and the Court of Auditors to exercise their powers of control, on documents, information, even stored on electronic media, or on the final recipient's premises.

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\(^1\) Article 137 of the Financial Regulation