



EUROPEAN COMMISSION
DIRECTORATE-GENERAL MIGRATION and HOME AFFAIRS

The Director-General

Brussels,

**DECISION ON A NON-SUBSTANTIAL MODIFICATION TO THE WORK
PROGRAMME OF THE EUROPEAN MIGRATION NETWORK FOR 2017-2018
SERVING AS A FINANCING DECISION FOR 2017**

Whereas:

- The 2017-2018 work programme for the European Migration Network (EMN) was adopted by Commission Decision C(2016) 8267¹ on 13 December 2016.
- A non-substantial modification to the 2017-2018 EMN work programme was adopted on 28 July 2017 (ref. Ares(2017)3798133). The aim of this non-substantial modification was to increase the available budget from EUR 20 200 000 to EUR 23 888 000 in order to:
 - ensure the development and alignment of national systems to the Integrated Return Management Application (IRMA), which is necessary to achieve the objectives of the European Migration Network as defined by Article 1(2) of Council Decision 2008/381/EC of 14 May 2008 establishing the European Migration Network.
 - streamline the reimbursement of travel costs related to the activities to be funded from the grants and as stipulated in Annex 1 of the Commission Decision C(2016)8267.
- A second non-substantial modification to the same work programme was adopted on 23 November 2017 (ref. Ares(2017)5731991) to revise the distribution of funds between co-delegation to DG DIGIT and DG HOME as well as to reinforce the support to dissemination of the results of EMN activities.
- The distribution of funding between the co-delegation to DG DIGIT and the DG HOME procurement actions should be further revised following updates from DG DIGIT and needs assessment on the development of IT migration management tools for the Member States and the Commission. Furthermore, the implementation for procurement actions should include the option of sub-delegation to DG JUST.
- There is no increase of the maximum contribution to the allocations to actions under this work programme compared to the maximum contribution set in Article 2 of Commission Implementing Decision C(2016) 8267, and the changes do not

¹ Commission Decision C(2016) 8267 of 13.12.2016 on the adoption of the work programme of the European Migration Network for 2017-2018 serving as a financing decision for 2017.

affect the nature of the actions and the objective of the work programme. In accordance with Article 3 of Commission Implementing Decision C(2016) 8267, the changes shall not be considered substantial within the meaning of Article 94(4) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012. According to Article 3 of Commission Implementing Decision C(2016) 8267, the authorising officer responsible may adopt these changes in accordance with the principles of sound financial management and proportionality.

I HEREBY DECIDE THE FOLLOWING:

- The Annex 1 to Commission Implementing Decision C(2016) 8267 is replaced by the Annex 1 to this Decision.

For the Commission
Matthias RUETE

*[E-signed by delegation by
Simon MORDUE]*

Annex: Revised Annex 1 to Commission Decision C(2016) 8267