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### amending Commission Implementing Decision C(2016)1775 on the adoption of the annual work programme for 2016 and the financing for the implementation of Connecting Europe Facility - Transport sector

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1316/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing the Connecting Europe Facility, amending Regulation (EU) No 913/2010 and repealing Regulations (EC) No 680/2007 and (EC) No 67/2010<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 17(1) and (4) thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002<sup>2</sup>, and in particular Article 84(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Commission adopted Implementing Decision C(2016)1775 of 31 March 2016 establishing the Annual Work Programme for 2016 in the transport sector<sup>3</sup>.
- (2) It is necessary to adapt and update the Annual Work Programme 2016 and its budget appropriations to take account of new objectives and priorities for the financial assistance under the Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) for projects of common interest to be selected following calls for proposals in 2016 for a total indicative amount of a maximum of EUR 440 000 000.
- (3) For the general envelope, and apart from the objectives and priorities for the financial assistance which have already been covered by Commission Implementing Decision C(2016)1775, i.e. relating to freight transport services and rail freight noise, new objectives and priorities should be added. They concern TEN-T cross-border connections with neighbouring countries and cross-border infrastructure projects in the TEN-T comprehensive network and in the core network which are not pre-identified in

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 348, 20.12.2013, p. 129.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

<sup>3</sup> Implementing Decision C(2016)1775 of 31 March 2016 establishing the Annual Work Programme for 2016 and the financing for the implementation of Connecting Europe Facility - Transport sector

Annex I of Regulation (EU) No 1316/2013. For the cohesion envelope, the objectives and priorities should remain unchanged.

- (4) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee referred to in Article 25 of Regulation (EU) No 1316/2013.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Sole Article*

Implementing Decision C(2016)1775 is amended as follows:

- (1) Article 2 is replaced by the following:

"Article 2

*Union contribution*

The maximum Union contribution for the implementation of the programme for 2016 is set at EUR 440 000 000, and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in the following lines of the general budget of the Union for 2016:

- (a) budget line 06020101: Removing bottlenecks, enhancing rail interoperability, bridging missing links and improving cross-border sections: EUR 150 000 000.
- (b) budget line 06020102: Ensuring sustainable and efficient transport systems: EUR 40 000 000.
- (c) budget line 06020104: Connecting Europe Facility (CEF) — Cohesion Fund allocation: EUR 250 000 000.

The appropriations provided for in the first paragraph may also cover interest due for late payment."

- (2) The Annex to Implementing Decision C(2016)1775 is replaced by the Annex to this Decision.

Done at Brussels, 7.10.2016

*For the Commission*

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