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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1301/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the European Regional Development Fund and on specific provisions concerning the Investment for growth and jobs goal and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1080/2006¹ (hereinafter referred to as “the ERDF Regulation”), and in particular Article 8(1) thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of 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 1605/2002² (hereinafter referred to as “the Financial Regulation”), and in particular Article 84(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In order to ensure implementation of innovative actions in the area of sustainable urban development to be supported by the European Regional Development Fund (hereinafter referred to as “Urban Innovative Actions”) it is necessary to adopt a financing decision for the years 2014 and 2015. Article 94 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 of 29 October 2012³ establishes detailed rules on financing decisions.
- (2) Pursuant to Article 92(8) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013⁴ Urban Innovative Actions are to be implemented under direct management pursuant to Article 58(1)(a) of the Financial Regulation or indirect management pursuant to Article 58(1)(c) of the Financial Regulation. Pursuant to the first subparagraph of Article 1(1) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 522/2014 of 11 March 2014⁵, the Commission has

¹ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p.289.

² OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p.1.

³ Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 of 29 October 2012 on the rules of application of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union (OJ L 362, 31.12.2012, p.1).

⁴ Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund, the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and laying down general provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 320).

⁵ Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 522/2014 of 11 March 2014 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 1301/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to the detailed rules concerning the principles for the selection and management of innovative actions in the area of

opted for indirect management by designating one or more bodies to be entrusted with the budget implementation tasks.

- (3) The second subparagraph of Article 1(1) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 522/2014 establishes in particular that the entity to be entrusted with the budget implementation tasks for the Urban Innovative Actions at Union level is to have a demonstrated track record in management of Union funds in several Member States.
- (4) The Commission should entrust budget implementation tasks under indirect management to the entity specified in this Decision, subject to the conclusion of a delegation agreement. In accordance with Article 60(1) and (2) of the Financial Regulation, the authorising officer responsible needs to ensure that this entity guarantees a level of protection of the financial interests of the Union equivalent to that required when the Commission manages Union funds. The Nord-Pas de Calais region in France is currently undergoing the assessment under the Financial Regulation.
- (5) It is necessary to allow the payment of interest due for late payment on the basis of Article 92 of the Financial Regulation and Article 111(4) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Union contribution

The maximum contribution for the implementation of the Urban Innovative Actions is set at EUR 50 028 377 for 2014 and at EUR 51 028 945 for 2015 and shall be financed from the following lines of the general budget of the European Union for 2014 and 2015:

- (a) budget line 13 03 66: EUR 50 028 377 for 2014;
- (b) budget line 13 03 66: EUR 51 028 945 for 2015.

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

The implementation of this Decision is subject to the availability of the appropriations provided for in the draft budget for 2015 after the adoption of the budget for 2015 by the budgetary authority or as provided for in the system of provisional twelfths.

Article 2

Management mode used and entrusted entities

The budget implementation of tasks related to the Urban Innovative Actions implemented under indirect management as regards the 2014 and 2015 budgets may be entrusted to the Nord-Pas de Calais region in France.

sustainable urban development to be supported by the European Regional Development Fund (OJ L 148, 20.05.2014, p.2).

Done at Brussels, 16.12.2014

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission

