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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 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 1605/2002 (hereinafter referred to as the 'Financial Regulation') and in particular Articles 54(2)(a) and (b) and 84(2) thereof,

Having regard to 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 (hereinafter referred to as the 'Rules of Application') and in particular Article 94(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The objective pursued by the Preparatory Action "Actual and desired state of the economic potential in regions outside the Greek capital Athens" is to set a best example for designing and implementing a genuine Regional Innovation Strategy in a specific Greek region and should serve as a model for other convergence regions
- (2) In the budget of the European Union for 2014, the budgetary authority allocates EUR 700 000 to the Preparatory Action "Actual and desired state of the economic potential in regions outside the Greek capital Athens" under budget line 13 03 77 16.
- (3) In accordance with Article 84(2) of the Financial Regulation and Article 94(1) of the Rules of Application, the commitment of expenditure from the budget of the European Union 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.
- (4) In accordance with Article 84(3) of the Financial Regulation and Article 94(3) of the Rules of Application, where the implementation of appropriations is provided for by an annual work programme constituting a sufficiently detailed framework, the work programme shall also be considered to be the financing decision for the procurement contracts involved.
- (5) This Decision should allow for the payment of interest due for late payment on the basis of Article 92 of the Financial Regulation and Article 111(4) of the Rules of Application.
- (6) For the application of this Decision, it is appropriate to define the term 'substantial change' within the meaning of Article 94(4) of the Rules of Application,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The work programme for the implementation of the Preparatory Action "Actual and desired state of the economic potential in regions outside the Greek capital Athens", as set out in the Annex I, is hereby adopted.

The work programme 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 the Preparatory Action is set at EUR 700 000 to be financed from the budget line 13 03 77 16 of the General Budget of the European Union for 2014.

Those appropriations may also cover interest due for late payment.

Article 3

Cumulated changes of the allocations to the specific actions covered by the work programme not exceeding 20% of the maximum contribution authorised by this Decision are not considered to be substantial provided that they do not significantly affect the nature and objective of the work programme.

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

Done at Brussels, 15.9.2014

For the Commission
Johannes HAHN
Member of the Commission