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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 in particular Article 84(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) On 10 February 2015, the Commission adopted Implementing Decision C(2015) 619 concerning the adoption of the work programme for 2015 in the framework of the European Regional Development Fund and the Cohesion Fund for the use of technical assistance, serving as financing decision.

(2) Following the mid-term assessment of the work programme, new actions are introduced. In particular: grants to be awarded without call for proposals to bodies identified in the work programme for the following actions: a) to provide contents to Euronews economic magazine, b) Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) to support Adriatic-Ionian Strategy and c) Vanguard Initiative to contribute to interregional cooperation and co-investment in smart specialisation areas. Administrative arrangements will also be concluded with JRC in relation to a) Econometric analysis and composite indicators, b) Modelling impacts and territorial projections and c) Global grids with buildings and population.

(3) To take into account of the results of the mid-term assessment of the work programme, adaptations to the amounts allocated for the different actions should be made resulting in a budget decrease.

(4) Implementing Decision C(2015) 619 should, therefore, be amended accordingly,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Implementing Decision C(2015) 619 is amended as follows:
1. The first paragraph of Article 2 is replaced by the following:

"The maximum contribution for the implementation of the programme for the year 2015 is set at EUR 81 927 100 and shall be financed from the following lines of the General Budget of the European Union for 2015:

(a) budget line 13 03 65 01 (ERDF): EUR 61 704 100;

(b) budget line 13 04 61 01 (CF): EUR 20 223 000";

2. The first paragraph of Article 4 is replaced by the following:

“Cumulated changes to the allocations to specific actions not exceeding 20% of the maximum contribution set in Article 2 of this Decision shall not be considered to be substantial within the meaning of Article 94(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012, where those changes do not significantly affect the nature of the actions and objective of the work programme. The increase of the maximum contribution set in Article 2 of this Decision shall not exceed 14.2%.”;

3. Annex I is replaced by Annex I to this Decision;

4. Annex II is replaced by Annex II to this Decision.

Done at Brussels, 27.10.2015

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission