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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) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012¹, and in particular Article 110 thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of 17 December 2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council 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 1083/2006², and in particular Article 58 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) By Commission Implementing Decision C(2020) 305, the work programme for 2020 in the framework of the European Regional Development Fund ('ERDF') and the Cohesion Fund for the use of technical assistance was adopted.
- (2) Following the mid-term assessment of the work programme for 2020, new actions should be introduced, in particular grants to be awarded through a call for proposals for "the development of global population projections by Degree of Urbanisation", a grant to the World Justice Project to "measure quality of the judicial system in seven Member States", awarded without a call for proposals and two new actions to be implemented by the World Bank under indirect management.
- (3) Following the mid-term assessment of the work programme for 2020, several actions should be amended: the name of the beneficiary of the "EU Strategy for the Alpine Region ('EUSALP') Annual Forum 2020" should be updated; the implementation mode for the "EUSALP Communication Strategy" should be changed from grant to procurement; the grant for "Cultural Routes in Macro Regional Strategies - Routes4U" should be deleted because of delays caused by the COVID-19 crisis; the implementing entity of the action "Transition into Functional Areas (FA) – Pilot" should be changed to World Bank and the implementation mode of the action "Assessment of implementation

¹ OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p.1.

² OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 320.

of de-institutionalisation through ESIF" should be changed from procurement to indirect management.

- (4) The global financial envelopes designated for grants, procurement procedures, actions under indirect management, expert contracts under the call for expressions of interest list 2018-OJ S 066-146033 of 5 April 2018 and the administrative agreements with the JRC should be revised.
- (5) Implementing Decision C(2020) 305 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Implementing Decision C(2020) 305 is amended as follows:

1. The first paragraph of Article 2 is replaced by the following:
"The maximum Union contribution for the implementation of the work programme for the year 2020 is set at EUR 103 558 295, and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in the following lines of the general budget of the Union:
 - (a) budget line 13 03 65 01 (ERDF): EUR 78 735 296
 - (b) budget line 13 04 61 01 (Cohesion Fund): EUR 24 822 999.";
2. The Annex to Implementing Decision C(2020) 305 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Decision.

Done at Brussels, 11.8.2020

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission

