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**amending Commission Decision C(2022) 4916 on the financing of the pilot project
“Cross-Border Crisis Response Integrated Initiative (CB-CRII)” and the adoption of the
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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 Articles 58(2)(a) and 110 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) By Commission Decision C(2022) 4916, the work programme for 2022 for the pilot project “Cross-Border Crisis Response Integrated Initiative (CB-CRII)” was adopted.
- (2) For the implementation of the action under point 2.1. “Resilience and crisis management in cross-border regions” in the work programme, the award of a grant without a call for proposals on the basis of Article 195(f) of the Financial Regulation should be authorised. The Association of European Border Regions (AEBR) and the Mission Opérationnelle Transfrontalière (MOT) will be co-beneficiaries of the grant, given their very specific knowledge and competences in the area of cross-border institutional cooperation and management of support schemes for border regions across the European Union. The direct award to these associations will ensure the specific expertise required for a smooth implementation of the action, as stated in the Annex.
- (3) The implementation of the action “Development of an IT infrastructure to host and update information on cross-border public services and crisis management in cross-border regions” via a service-level agreement with the Joint Research Centre (JRC) of the European Commission should be authorised. The change in the implementation mode from procurement to a service-level agreement with the JRC would allow for more efficiency in the allocation of resources and better effectiveness of expected results, since the work to be done under this action requires very specific skills and competences for the management of geographical, quantitative and qualitative data. The JRC has extensive experience with pan-European territorial analysis, including cross-border territories.
- (4) Commission Decision C(2022) 4916 should therefore be amended accordingly,

¹ OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p.1.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Commission Decision C(2022) 4916 is amended as follows:

1. A new Article 5 is added:

*“Article 5
Grants*

Grants may be awarded without a call for proposals in accordance with the conditions set out in the Annex. Grants may be awarded to the bodies referred to in the Annex.”;

2. The Annex to Commission Decision C(2022) 4916 is amended as set out in the Annex to this Decision.

Done at Brussels, 8.9.2023

*For the Commission
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Member of the Commission*