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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 966/2012 (¹), and in particular Article 110 thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2021/1060 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 June 2021 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund Plus, the Cohesion Fund, the Just Transition Fund and the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund and financial rules for those and for the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, the Internal Security Fund and the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy (²), and in particular Articles 7(2) and 35 thereof,

Having regard to 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 (³), and in particular Article 58 thereof.

Whereas:

- (1) By Commission Implementing Decision C(2023) 646, the work programme for 2023 in the framework of the European Regional Development Fund, the Cohesion Fund and the Just Transition Fund for the use of technical assistance at the initiative of the Commission was adopted.
- (2) Following the mid-term assessment of the work programme for 2023, new actions should be introduced, in particular, two grants to be awarded without a call for proposals, seven new actions to be implemented under indirect management and one new prize, as detailed in the Annexes.

¹ OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1.

² OJ L 231, 30.06.2021, p. 159.

³ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 320.

- (3) The grant action "Support to energy cross-border communities" as well as the indirect management actions "Support to capacity building on building renovation (World Bank)" and "Sectoral transition strategies: analytical support for Policy Objectives (International organisation)" are deleted as they will be implemented in 2024 only or the ongoing technical assistance actions cover the needs.
- (4) The global financial envelopes designated for the grants, prizes, procurement procedures, actions under indirect management and the expert contracts under the call for expressions of interest list 2018-OJ S 066-146033 of 5 April 2018 should be revised.
- (5) Implementing Decision C(2023) 646 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Implementing Decision C(2023) 646 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 technical assistance for the year 2023 is set at EUR 187 040 050.83, and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in the following budget lines of the general budget of the Union:

- (a) 05 02 02 00 (ERDF): EUR 104 166 916
- (b) 05 03 02 00 (Cohesion Fund): EUR 15 864 498
- (c) 05 02 05 02-NGEU (REACT-EU): EUR 34 508 588.78 (⁴)
- (d) 09 03 02 00 (JTF): EUR 4 140 303
- (e) 09 03 02 00-NGEU (JTF NGEU): EUR 28 359 745.05 (⁵).";
- 2. Annex 1 is amended as set out in Annex 1 to this Decision;
- 3. Annex 2 is amended as set out in Annex 2 to this Decision.

Done at Brussels, 25.9.2023

For the Commission Elisa FERREIRA Member of the Commission

⁴ Amount of commitment appropriations carried over from 2022.

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