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#### THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION.

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1382/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a Justice Programme for the period 2014 to 2020<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 10 thereof,

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<sup>2</sup>, and in particular Articles 84(2) and 124 thereof,

#### Whereas:

- (1) In order to ensure implementation of the Justice Programme it is necessary to adopt a financing decision and the work programme for 2014. Article 94 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU, Euratom) 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<sup>3</sup> establishes detailed rules on financing decisions.
- (2) It is appropriate to authorise award of grants without a call for proposals to the bodies identified in the work programme and for the reasons provided therein.
- (3) 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 Delegated Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1268/2012.
- (4) For the application of this Decision, it is appropriate to define the term 'substantial change' within the meaning of Article 94(4) of Delegated Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 1268/2012.
- (5) In accordance with Article 124(1) of the Financial Regulation, the use of lump sums, unit costs or flat-rate financing shall be authorised by way of a Commission decision ensuring respect for the principle of equal treatment of beneficiaries for the same category of actions or work programmes.
- (6) In accordance with Article 124(2), that authorisation shall be supported by the justification of the forms chosen, the identification of the costs or categories of costs covered, the description of the methods for determining the amounts and the

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OJ L 354, 28.12.2013, p. 73.

OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> OJ L 362, 31.12.2002, p. 1.

- conditions for reasonably ensuring that the no-profit and co-financing principles are complied with and that double financing of costs is avoided.
- (7) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Justice Committee established by Article 11 of Regulation (EU) No 1382/2013.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

## Article 1 The work programme

The annual work programme for the implementation of the Justice Programme for 2014, as set out in the Annex, is adopted. The annual work programme constitutes a financing decision within the meaning of Article 84 of the Financial Regulation.

### Article 2 Union contribution

The maximum contribution for the implementation of the programme for the year 2014 is set at EUR 45 812 000, and shall be financed from the following lines of the general budget of the European Union for 2014:

(a) budget line 33 03 02: EUR 14 228 000

(b) budget line 33 03 01: EUR 28 580 000

(c) budget line 33 03 03: EUR 3 004 000

The appropriations provided for in the first paragraph may also cover interest due for late payment.

## Article 3 Flexibility clause

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 Delegated Regulation (EU, Euratom) 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 20%.

The authorising officer responsible may adopt the changes referred to in the first paragraph in accordance with the principles of sound financial management and proportionality.

### Article 4 Grants

Grants may be awarded without a call for proposals to the bodies identified in the Annex, in accordance with the conditions specified therein.

### Article 5 Use of unit costs

The Commission authorises beneficiaries of grants to declare eligible costs on the basis of unit costs for the reasons and under the conditions set out in the Annex.

For the Commission
[...]
Member of the Commission

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