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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2021/1059 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 June 2021 on specific provisions for the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) supported by the European Regional Development Fund and external financing instruments<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 19(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) By Commission Implementing Decision C(2022) 4868, the cooperation programme “Interreg Europe” for support from the European Regional Development Fund (‘ERDF’) under the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) in all Member States with the participation of Norway and Switzerland, was approved.
- (2) On 10 November 2023 France submitted on behalf of all Member States, Norway and Switzerland, through the electronic data exchange system of the Commission, a request for an amendment to the cooperation programme. The request was accompanied by a revised cooperation programme, in which France proposed amendments to the cooperation programme approved by Implementing Decision C(2022) 4868.
- (3) Following the adoption of Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/1635<sup>2</sup>, the amendment to the cooperation programme consists in the increase of the total allocation for 2023-2027 from the NDICI to the cooperation programme and in the modification of the geographical coverage of the cooperation programme by including Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia and Ukraine.
- (4) The amendment to the cooperation programme also consists of a revision of the performance framework as well as of related output and result indicators.
- (5) The amendment of the cooperation programme finally consists in a modification of the title of the decision.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 231, 30.6.2021, p. 94.

<sup>2</sup> Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/1635 of 14 August 2023 amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/74 setting out the list of Interreg programmes and indicating the global amount of the total support from the European Regional Development Fund and from each external financing instrument of the Union for each programme and the list of the amounts transferred between strands under the European territorial cooperation goal for the period 2021 to 2027 (OJ L 103, 16.8.2023, p. 11).

- (6) In accordance with Article 19(1) of Regulation (EU) 2021/1059, the request of France for an amendment to the cooperation programme is justified by the redistribution of the resources previously earmarked for cooperation programmes with Russia and Belarus that were cancelled due to the unjustified and unprovoked military aggression against Ukraine and by the need to adjust relevant indicators accordingly as well as by the decision of the programme to expand the geographical coverage to other countries.
- (7) The request for the amendment to the cooperation programme also sets out the expected impact of the amendment on the achievement of the objectives defined in the cooperation programme and is compliant with Regulation (EU) 2021/1059 and Regulations (EU) 2021/1058<sup>3</sup> and (EU) 2021/1060<sup>4</sup> of the European Parliament and of the Council.
- (8) In accordance with Article 30(2), point (c), of Regulation (EU) 2021/1059, the monitoring committee at its meeting of 15 June 2023 examined and approved the proposal for the amendment to the cooperation programme, taking into account the text of the revised cooperation programme and its financing plan.
- (9) The Commission assessed the revised cooperation programme and did not make observations pursuant to Article 19(2) of Regulation (EU) 2021/1059.
- (10) Pursuant to Article 50 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1059, this Decision constitutes a financing decision within the meaning of Article 110(1) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council<sup>5</sup> with regard to the ERDF and the support by NDICI under shared management. It is necessary to specify the elements needed to make the budgetary commitments with respect to the programme in this decision.
- (11) Pursuant to Article 112(1) and (2) of Regulation (EU) 2021/1060 and Article 13 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1059, it is necessary to fix, for each year, the amount of the total financial appropriations envisaged for the support from the Interreg funds and, for each priority, the co-financing rate and the maximum of support from the Funds. It is also necessary to specify whether the co-financing rate for the priority applies to total contribution, including public and private contribution, or to public contribution.
- (12) Pursuant to Article 59 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1059, in order to implement an Interreg programme in a third country, partner country or OCT, in accordance with Article 112(4) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046, a financing agreement should be concluded between the Commission, representing the Union, and each participating third country, partner country or OCT represented in accordance with its national legal framework.

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<sup>3</sup> Regulation (EU) 2021/1058 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 June 2021 on the European Regional Development Fund and on the Cohesion Fund (OJ L 231, 30.6.2021, p. 60).

<sup>4</sup> 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 (OJ L 231, 30.6.2021, p. 159).

<sup>5</sup> 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 (OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p. 1).

- (13) The amended cooperation programme, which is subject to the Commission’s approval under Article 19(4) of Regulation (EU) 2021/1059, should therefore be approved.
- (14) Implementing Decision C(2022) 4868 should therefore be amended accordingly,
- HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Implementing Decision C(2022) 4868 is amended as follows:

1. The title of the decision is replaced by the following:  
“Commission Implementing Decision C(2022) 4868 approving the cooperation programme “Interreg Europe” for support from the European Regional Development Fund and the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument - Global Europe under the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) in all Member States in partnership with Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Switzerland and Ukraine.”;
2. Article 1 is replaced by the following:  
“The cooperation programme “Interreg Europe” for support from the ERDF and the NDICI under the European territorial cooperation goal (Interreg) in all Member States and Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Switzerland and Ukraine for the period from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2027, submitted in its final version on 25 April 2022, as amended by the revised cooperation programme submitted in its final version on 10 November 2023, is hereby approved.”;
3. Article 2 is replaced by the following:

*“Article 2*

1. The maximum amount of support from the Interreg funds for each year is set out in Annex I.
2. The maximum amount of support for the programme is set at EUR 384 482 670, to be financed from the following specific budget lines in accordance with the nomenclature of the General Budget of the European Union for 2022:  
05 02 01 00.05: EUR 379 482 670 (ERDF – ETC);  
14 02 01.12: EUR 5 000 000 (NDICI).
3. The co-financing rate for each priority is set out in Annex II. The co-financing rate for each priority shall apply to total contribution, including public and private contribution.”;
4. Annex I is replaced by the text set out in Annex I to this Decision;
5. Annex II is replaced by the text set out in Annex II to this Decision.

*Article 2*

The Director-General of the Directorate-General Regional and Urban Policy is hereby mandated to sign the financing agreement to be concluded with the Government of the Republic of Moldova and the Government of Ukraine on behalf of the Commission.

*Article 3*

This Decision is addressed to all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 11.12.2023

*For the Commission*  
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*Member of the Commission*



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ANNEX I

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**Financial appropriations by year (in EUR)**

Fund	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Total
Interreg Funds	0.00	64,827,095.00	66,754,886.00	67,831,347.00	68,929,296.00	57,072,772.00	59,067,274.00	384,482,670.00
Total	0.00	64,827,095.00	66,754,886.00	67,831,347.00	68,929,296.00	57,072,772.00	59,067,274.00	384,482,670.00

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**Total financial appropriations by fund and national co-financing (in EUR)**

Policy objective No	Priority	Fund	Basis for calculation EU support (total eligible cost or public contribution)	EU contribution (a)=(a1) +(a2)	Indicative breakdown of the EU contribution		National contribution (b)=(c)+(d)	Indicative breakdown of the national counterpart		Total (e)=(a)+(b)	Co-financing rate (f)=(a)/(e)	Contributions from the third countries (for information)
					without TA pursuant to Article 27(1)	for TA pursuant to Article 27(1)		National public (c)	National private (d)			
					(a1)	(a2)						
6	1	Interreg Funds	Total eligible cost	384,482,670.00	356,002,473.00	28,480,197.00	96,120,668.00	87,812,626.00	8,308,042.00	480,603,338.00	79.9999999168%	2,930,000.00
	Total	Interreg Funds		384,482,670.00	356,002,473.00	28,480,197.00	96,120,668.00	87,812,626.00	8,308,042.00	480,603,338.00	79.9999999168%	2,930,000.00

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