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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 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<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 96(10) thereof,**

**Having consulted the ESF Committee,**

**Whereas:**

- (1) By Commission Implementing Decision C(2014) 10138, as last amended by Commission Implementing Decision C(2020) 8589, certain elements of the operational programme “Public Sector Reform” for support from the European Social Fund ('ESF') and the European Regional Development Fund ('ERDF') under the Investment for growth and jobs goal in Greece were approved.
- (2) On 29 June 2021, Greece submitted, through the electronic data exchange system of the Commission, a request for an amendment to this operational programme. The request was accompanied by a revised operational programme, in which Greece proposed an amendment to the elements of the operational programme referred to in points (a), (b)(i) to (iv) and (d) of the first subparagraph of Article 96(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, all subject to Implementing Decision C(2014) 10138.
- (3) The amendment to the operational programme consists mainly, in allocating part of the REACT-EU resources made available to Greece as external assigned revenues in accordance with Article 3(1) of Council Regulation (EU) 2020/2094<sup>2</sup> under the new thematic objective “Fostering crisis repair in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic

<sup>1</sup> OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 320.

<sup>2</sup> Council Regulation (EU) 2020/2094 of 14 December 2020 establishing a European Union Recovery Instrument to support the recovery in the aftermath of the COVID-19 crisis (OJ L 433I, 22.12.2020, p. 23).

and its social consequences and preparing a green, digital and resilient recovery of the economy" and should cover the year 2021.

- (4) The amendment to the operational programme consists in addition in the creation of a new priority axis 16 "Supporting the recovery from the effects of the crisis in the context of COVID-19 pandemic" from the ESF REACT-EU. Specific output and result indicators are introduced in this new priority axis. The REACT-EU resources are directed at measures supporting public health in order to enhance the resilience of the health system.
- (5) Moreover, the amendment consists in the correction of an error introduced by Implementing Decision C(2020) 8589 in financial table 18a of the operational programme, concerning the national contribution in priority axis 9 that is, EUR 775 703 instead of EUR 755 703.
- (6) In accordance with Article 30(1) and the sixth subparagraph of Article 92b(9) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, the request for the amendment to the operational programme is duly justified by the need to quickly deploy the REACT-EU resources for crisis repair in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic and its social consequences and to prepare a green, digital and resilient recovery of the economy within the current programming period. The request for the amendment to the operational programme sets out the expected impact of the changes to the programme on fostering crisis repair in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic and its social consequences and preparing a green, digital and resilient recovery of the economy in accordance with the second subparagraph of Article 92b(8) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013. It is consistent with Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, Regulation (EU) No 1301/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council<sup>3</sup>, Regulation (EU) No 1304/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council<sup>4</sup>.
- (7) In accordance with point (e) of Article 110(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, the monitoring committee by written procedure on 22 April 2021 examined and approved the proposal for the amendment to the operational programme, taking into account the text of the revised operational programme and its financing plan.
- (8) The Commission assessed the revised operational programme and did not make observations pursuant to the second sentence of the first subparagraph of Article 30(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013.
- (9) The amended elements of the revised operational programme subject to the Commission's approval under Article 96(10) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 should therefore be approved.
- (10) Implementing Decision C(2014) 10138 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

<sup>3</sup> Regulation (EU) No 1301/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the European Regional Development Fund and on specific provisions concerning the Investment for growth and jobs goal and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1080/2006 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 289).

<sup>4</sup> Regulation (EU) No 1304/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the European Social Fund and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1081/2006 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 470).

## *Article 1*

Implementing Decision C(2014) 10138 is amended as follows:

1. in Article 1, the introductory sentence is replaced by the following:

"The following elements of the operational programme "Public Sector Reform" for joint support from the ESF and the ERDF under the Investment for growth and jobs goal in Greece for the period from 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2020 and benefitting from the REACT-EU resources for 2021, submitted in its final version on 29 June 2021, are hereby approved:";

2. Article 2 is replaced by the following:

## *"Article 2*

The following priority axes shall be supported by the operational programme:

- (a) Priority axis 1 "Administrative and organisational reform to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the public sector in the 11 regions" from the ESF;
- (b) Priority axis 2 "Administrative and organisational reform to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the public sector in Sterea Ellada" from the ESF;
- (c) Priority axis 3 "Administrative and organisational reform to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the public sector in the South Aegean" from the ESF;
- (d) Priority axis 4 "Enhancing e-governance in the 11 regions" from the ERDF;
- (e) Priority axis 5 "Enhancing e-governance in Sterea Ellada" from the ERDF;
- (f) Priority axis 6 "Enhancing e-governance in the South Aegean" from the ERDF;
- (g) Priority axis 7 "Improving the management and development of human resources in the public sector in 11 regions" from the ESF;
- (h) Priority axis 8 "Improving the management and development of human resources in the public sector in Sterea Ellada" from the ESF;
- (i) Priority axis 9 "Improving the management and development of human resources in the public sector in the South Aegean" from the ESF;
- (j) Priority axis 10 "Technical Assistance for the application/implementation of ESF actions of the Operational Programme in the 11 regions";
- (k) Priority axis 11 "Technical Assistance for the application/implementation of ESF actions of the Operational Programme in Sterea Ellada";
- (l) Priority axis 12 "Technical Assistance for the application/implementation of ESF actions of the Operational Programme in the South Aegean";
- (m) Priority axis 13 "Technical Assistance for the application/implementation of ERDF actions of the Operational Programme in the 11 regions";
- (n) Priority axis 14 "Technical Assistance for the application/implementation of ERDF actions of the Operational Programme in Sterea Ellada";
- (o) Priority axis 15 "Technical Assistance for the application/implementation of ERDF actions of the Operational Programme in the South Aegean";
- (p) Priority axis 16 "Supporting the recovery from the effects of the crisis in the context of COVID-19 pandemic" from the ESF REACT-EU.";

3. in Article 4, paragraph 2 is replaced by the following:
  - “2. The total financial appropriation for the operational programme is set at EUR 502 782 220, to be financed from:
    - (a) the following specific budget lines in accordance with the nomenclature of the General Budget of the European Union for 2014:  
04 02 60: EUR 150 415 891 (ESF – Less developed regions);  
04 02 61: EUR 49 800 615 (ESF – Transition regions);  
04 02 62: EUR 23 171 943 (ESF – More developed regions);  
13 03 60: EUR 112 499 500 (ERDF – Less developed regions);  
13 03 61: EUR 25 641 223 (ERDF – Transition regions);  
13 03 62: EUR 41 253 048 (ERDF – More developed regions);
    - (b) the following REACT-EU resources made available to Greece in accordance with Article 3(1) of Regulation (EU) 2020/2094 on the following specific budget lines in accordance with the nomenclature of the General Budget of the European Union for 2021:  
07 02 05 01: EUR 100 000 000 (ESF REACT-EU).”;
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*

This Decision is addressed to the Hellenic Republic.

Done at Brussels, 20.7.2021

*For the Commission  
Nicolas SCHMIT  
Member of the Commission*

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for the Secretary-General

Martine DEPREZ  
Director  
Decision-making & Collegiality  
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## ANNEX I

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**Table 17**

Fund	Category of region	2014		2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		2021		2022		Total	
		Main allocation	Performance reserve	Main allocation	Main allocation	Performance reserve	Main allocation	Main allocation	Performance reserve	Main allocation	Main allocation	Performance reserve									
ERDF	Less developed	7,587,342	495,925	10,149,537	965,368	12,712,389	830,875	15,575,465	988,986	20,128,655	1,985,561	30,775,116	1,985,571	0	0	105,623,804	6,870,986				
ERDF	Transition	1,684,677	110,763	2,068,888	148,161	2,439,273	165,573	3,111,726	22,986	6,748,228	438,846	7,114,812	461,105	0	0		24,075,787	1,585,438			
ERDF	More developed	2,490,948	162,807	3,331,983	217,777	4,173,362	272,788	5,014,784	327,784	10,737,610	684,337	12,989,546	689,363	0	0		38,738,232	2,514,816			
Total ERDF		11,772,927	769,465	15,548,308	1,929,346	19,728,914	1,889,216	23,701,978	1,581,448	46,614,803	3,917,743	50,479,473	3,206,039	0	0	0	165,442,823	10,385,348			
ESF	Less developed	5,034,935	329,442	8,624,607	577,658	12,720,130	832,352	22,988,672	1,477,995	26,674,489	1,738,268	30,040,077	1,988,205	34,613,347	2,257,463		141,205,107	9,210,744			
ESF	Transition	1,686,410	111,137	2,977,035	194,005	4,291,116	260,783	7,440,039	483,873	8,790,380	571,519	10,116,825	688,911	11,148,715	746,068		46,753,508	3,047,108			
ESF	More developed	1,434,533	93,866	2,515,203	164,584	3,625,028	237,239	5,977,316	131,024	3,023,547	198,519	4,084,783	267,986	5,101,248	335,545		21,742,458	1,429,445			
Total ESF		8,107,328	534,675	14,371,846	936,447	20,036,874	1,950,370	32,984,627	2,002,932	36,679,469	2,069,387	44,926,845	2,264,992	51,144,210	2,529,724	0	0	207,705,874	12,687,715		
ESF REACT-EU		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100,000,000	0	100,000,000	0	
Total REACT-EU		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100,000,000	0	100,000,000	0	
Total		19,941,166	1,363,870	30,463,443	1,866,153	46,361,648	2,639,594	53,946,405	3,641,641	83,893,296	5,327,050	95,710,158	8,220,841	51,164,310	3,359,374	160,906,040	0	473,143,887	24,603,323		

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**ANNEX II**  
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**Table 18a: Financing plan**

Priority axis	Fund	Category of region	Base for calculation of Union support (Total eligible cost or public eligible cost)	Union support (a)	National counterpart (b) = (c) + (d)	Indicative breakdown of national counterpart (e) = (a) + (b)	Co-financing rate (f) = (a) / (e) (2)	100% CO-FINANCING RATE FOR ACCOUNTING YEAR 2020-2021 (3)	EB contributions (g)	Main allocation		Performance reserve	Performance reserve as proportion of total Union support (i) = (j) / (a) * 100		
										National public funding (c)	National private funding (d) (1)	Union support (h) = (a) - (i)	National Counterpart (i) = (b) * (j) / (a)		
1	ESF	Less developed	Public	82,761,582	20,690,398,00	103,451,978,00	79,9999986135%		0	77,982,399,00	19,485,585,00	4,779,243	1,184,811,30	5,77%	
1	ESF	Transition	Public	22,217,315	5,554,328,00	27,771,844,00	79,9999982788%			20,611,531,00	5,227,883,00	1,305,784	328,446,30	5,88%	
1	ESF	More developed	Public	11,371,954	2,842,989,00	14,214,943,00	79,9999971881%			10,715,256,00	2,676,814,00	658,986	164,175,30	5,77%	
16	ESF REACT-EU		Public	100,000,000	0,00	0	100,000,000,00%			0	100,000,000,00	0,00	0,00	0,00%	
2	ESF	Transition	Public	6,451,174	0	12,802,348,00	50,000,000,00%			0	6,071,886,00	6,071,886,00	379,308,30	5,88%	
3	ESF	More developed	Public	976,511	976,511,00	1,953,022,00	50,000,000,00%			0	920,118,00	920,118,00	56,392,00	5,77%	
4	ERDF	Less developed	Public	110,972,835	27,743,209,00	138,716,044,00	79,9999985556%			0	104,102,139,00	26,025,535,00	6,870,086	1,717,674,00	6,19%
4	ERDF	Transition	Public	19,817,214	4,904,304,00	24,321,518,00	79,9999933886%			18,404,073,00	4,803,786,00	1,214,141	303,535,00	6,19%	
4	ERDF	More developed	Public	37,846,120	9,411,530,00	47,657,856,00	80,000,000,00%			35,310,571,00	8,829,983,00	2,326,549	561,637,00	6,18%	

Priority axis	Fund	Category of region	Base for calculation of Union support (Total eligible cost or public eligible cost)	Union support (e)	National counterpart (b) = (c) + (d)	Indicative breakdown of national counterpart (e) = (a) / (b) (2)	Total funding (e) + (b)	Co-financing rate (f) = (a) / (e) (2)	100% CO-FINANCING RATE FOR ACCOUNTING YEAR 2020-2021 (3)	EB contributions (g)	Main allocation		Performance reserve		
											National public funding (c)	National private funding (d) (1)	Union support (h) = (a) - (b)	National Counterpart (i) = (b) * (j) / (a)	National Union support (l) = (b) * 100
5	ERDF	Transition	Public	5,975,919	5,975,919	0	11,351,838,00	50,000,000,00%		0	5,324,624,00	5,324,624,00	31,295	351,295,00	6,19%
6	ERDF	More developed	Public	3,046,334	3,046,334	0	6,092,668,00	50,000,000,00%		0	2,458,067,00	2,458,067,00	188,267	188,267,00	6,16%
7	ESF	Less developed	Public	63,235,335	15,983,909	0	79,819,544,00	70,000,000,00%		0	59,594,084,00	14,875,024,00	4,431,541	1,107,885,00	6,93%
7	ESF	Transition	Public	15,244,121	3,811,031	0	19,055,152,00	70,000,000,00%			14,187,845,00	3,548,982,00	1,088,276	284,089,00	6,93%
7	ESF	More developed	Public	9,552,228	2,388,057	0	11,940,283,00	70,000,000,00%			8,986,611,00	2,222,403,00	602,815	165,684,00	6,94%
8	ESF	Transition	Public	4,412,447	4,412,447	0	8,824,894,00	50,000,000,00%		0	4,106,709,00	4,106,709,00	305,738	305,738,00	6,93%
9	ESF	More developed	Public	775,703	775,703	0	1,551,408,00	50,000,000,00%		0	721,823,00	721,823,00	53,780	53,780,00	6,93%
10	ESF	Less developed	Public	3,716,874	929,068	0	4,646,343,00	70,000,000,00%		0	3,718,874,00	929,068,00			
10	ESF	Transition	Public	1,142,708	285,877	0	1,428,385,00	80,000,000,00%			1,142,708,00	285,877,00			
11	ESF	Transition	Public	332,856	332,856	0	685,700,00	50,000,000,00%		0	332,856,00	332,856,00			
12	ESF	More developed	Public	42,277	42,277	0	84,554,00	50,000,000,00%		0	42,277,00	42,277,00			
13	ERDF	Less developed	Public	1,520,005	361,067	0	1,886,382,00	70,000,000,00%		0	1,520,005,00	381,067,00			

Priority axis	Fund	Category of region	Base for calculation of Union support (Total eligible cost or public eligible cost)	Union support (a)	National counterpart (b) = (c) + (d)	Indicative breakdown of national counterpart (e) = (a) * (b)	Total funding (e) = (a) * (b)	Co-financing rate (f) = (a) / (e) (2)	100% CO-FINANCING RATE FOR ACCOUNTING YEAR 2020-2021 (3)		EIB contributions (g)	Main allocation	Performance reserve	Performance reserve amount as proportion of total Union support (i) = (j) / (a) * 100	
									National public funding (e)	National private funding (d) (1)	National support (h) = (a) - (i)	National Counterpart (i) = (b) - (k)	National support (j) (1)	National Counterpart (k) = (b) * (l) / (a)	
13	ERDF	Transition	Public	286,984	67,491,00	67,491	337,455,00	90,00000000%			269,904,00	67,481,00			
13	ERDF	More developed	Public	518,812	120,653,00	120,653	648,295,00	80,00000000%			518,612,00	120,653,00			
14	ERDF	Transition	Public	78,126	78,126,00	78,126	156,252,00	50,00000000%			0	78,126,00	78,126,00		
15	ERDF	More developed	Public	41,982	41,982,00	41,982	83,984,00	50,00000000%			0	41,982,00	41,982,00		
Total	ERDF	Less developed		112,494,500	28,124,876,00	28,124,876	0	140,624,376,00	79,9999994311%			105,626,804,00	26,401,202,00	6,870,696	1,717,674,30
Total	ERDF	Transition		25,641,223	10,725,840,00	10,725,840	0	36,367,063,00	70,9867192256%			24,075,787,00	10,071,010,00	1,565,336	654,830,00
Total	ERDF	More developed		41,255,048	12,628,499,00	12,628,499	0	53,882,547,00	78,5810578876%			36,738,232,00	11,859,585,00	2,514,816	768,804,00
Total	ESF	Less developed		150,415,891	37,603,974,00	37,603,974	0	186,019,865,00	79,9999994681%			141,205,107,00	35,391,276,00	9,210,784	2,302,696,00
Total	ESF	Transition		49,160,815	20,847,508,00	20,847,508	0	70,948,123,00	70,4910656233%			46,155,500,00	19,371,947,00	3,047,106	1,275,561,00
Total	ESF	More developed		23,171,943	7,138,855,00	7,138,855	0	30,316,798,00	78,4478157256%			21,742,458,00	6,898,654,00	1,429,405	440,001,00
Total	ESF-REACT-EU			160,000,000	0,00	0	160,000,000,00	100,0000000000%			100,000,000,00	0,00	0	0,00%	
Total	REACT-EU			160,000,000	0,00	0	160,000,000,00	100,0000000000%			100,000,000,00	0,00	0	0,00%	
Grand total				502,782,220	117,073,552	0	619,452,772,00	81,113,679360%			0	478,441,697,00	103,909,086,00	24,630,323	7,150,666,00

- (1) To be completed only when priority axes are expressed in total costs.  
(2) This rate may be rounded to the nearest whole number in the table. The precise rate used to reimburse payments is the ratio (f).  
(3) By ticking the box the Member State requests to apply, pursuant to Article 25(a)(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, a co-financing rate of 100% to expenditure declared in payment applications during the accounting year starting on 1 July 2020 and ending on 30 June 2021 for all /some of the priority axes of the operational programme. ”