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Labour Mobility
Free Movement of Workers, EURES

GRANT AGREEMENT FOR AN ACTION WITH MULTIPLE BENEFICIARIES

AGREEMENT NUMBER — VS/2018/0473

This Agreement ('the Agreement') is concluded between the following parties:

of the one part,

The European Union ('the Union'), represented by the European Commission ('the Commission'), represented for the purposes of signature of the Agreement by Denis GENTON, Head of Unit, Free Movement of Workers, EURES,

and

of the other part,

1. 'the coordinator'

AGENZIA NAZIONALE PER LE POLITICHE ATTIVE DEL LAVORO (ANPAL)

VIA FORNOVO N 8, 00192 ROMA, ITALY,

represented for the purposes of signature of the Agreement by Salvatore PIRRONE, Director, Unit V – EURES NCO

and the following other beneficiaries:

- 2. The Republic of Bulgaria, represented by National Employment Agency
- 3. The Republic of Cyprus, represented by Ministry of Labor, Welfare and Social Insurance
- 4. UNIVERSITA DEGLI STUDI DI ROMA LA SAPIENZA (ITALY)
- 5. INSTITUTO DO EMPREGO E FORMACAO PROFISSIONAL (PORTUGAL)
- 6. FONDAZIONE GIACOMO BRODOLINI (ITALY)
- 7. UITVOERINGSINSTITUUT WERKNEMERSVERZEKERINGEN (NETHERLANDS)
- 8. EURODESK ITALY ASSOCIAZIONI (ITALY)
- 9. HRVATSKI ZAVOD ZA ZAPOSLJAVANJE (CROATIA)





- 10. AGENTIA NATIONALA PENTRU OCUPAREA FORTEI DE MUNCA (ROMANIA)
- 11. SERVICIO PUBLICO DE EMPLEO ESTATAL (SPAIN)
- 12. CITTA' METROPOLITANA DI ROMA CAPITALE (ITALY)
- 13. K MILIOS AND SIA OE (GREECE)

duly represented for the signature of the Agreement by the coordinator by virtue of the mandate(s) included in Annex IV.

Unless otherwise specified, references to 'beneficiary' and 'beneficiaries' include the coordinator.

The parties referred to above



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HAVE AGREED

to the Special Conditions ('the Special Conditions') and the following Annexes:

Annex I Description of the action

Annex II General Conditions ('the General Conditions')

Annex III Estimated budget of the action

Annex IV Mandate(s) provided to the coordinator by the other beneficiary(ies)

Annex V Model technical report

Annex VI Model financial statement: not applicable

Annex VII Model terms of reference for the certificate on the financial statements: not applicable

Annex VIII Model terms of reference for the certificate on the compliance of the cost accounting practices: not applicable

which form an integral part of the Agreement.

The provisions in the Special Conditions of the Agreement take precedence over its Annexes.

The provisions in Annex II 'General Conditions' take precedence over the other Annexes.





SPECIAL CONDITIONS

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ARTICLE I.1 — SUBJECT MATTER OF THE AGREEMENT

The Commission has decided to award a grant under the terms and conditions set out in the Special Conditions, the General Conditions and the other Annexes to the Agreement, for the action entitled TMS Your first EURES job – YfEj 6.0, as described in Annex I.

By signing the Agreement, the beneficiaries accept the grant and agree to implement the action, acting on their own responsibility.

ARTICLE I.2 — ENTRY INTO FORCE AND IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD OF THE AGREEMENT

- I.2.1 The Agreement enters into force on the date on which the last party signs it.
- **I.2.2** The *action* runs for **24** months starting on 15 October 2018.

ARTICLE I.3 — MAXIMUM AMOUNT AND FORM OF THE GRANT

- **I.3.1** The maximum amount of the grant is EUR 4 643 199.84.
- **I.3.2** The grant takes the form of:
- (a) the reimbursement of 94.99% of the eligible costs of the *action* ('reimbursement of eligible costs'), which are estimated at EUR 4 888 117.94 and which are:
 - (i) actually incurred ('reimbursement of actual costs') for the direct costs of the beneficiaries and affiliated entities
 - (ii) reimbursement of unit costs: not applicable
 - (iii) reimbursement of lump sum costs: not applicable
 - (iv) declared on the basis of a flat rate of 7% of the eligible direct costs ('reimbursement of flat-rate costs') for the indirect costs of the beneficiaries and affiliated entities
 - (v) reimbursement of costs declared on the basis of the beneficiaries' usual cost accounting practices: not applicable
- (b) unit contribution: not applicable
- (c) lump sum contribution: not applicable
- (d) flat-rate contribution: not applicable

ARTICLE I.4 — REPORTING — REQUESTS FOR PAYMENT AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

I.4.1 Reporting periods

The *action* is divided into the following *reporting periods*:

- Reporting period 1: from month 1 to month 12



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- Reporting period 2: from month 13 to month 24

I.4.2 Request for second pre-financing payment and supporting documents

The coordinator must submit a request for the second pre-financing payment within 60 calendar days following the end of the first reporting period.

The request must be accompanied by the following documents:

- (a) a progress report on the implementation of the action ('technical report on progress');
- (b) a statement on the amount of the previous pre-financing instalment used to cover costs of the *action* ('statement on the use of the previous pre-financing instalment').

I.4.3 Requests for interim payments and supporting documents

Not applicable.

I.4.4 Request for payment of the balance and supporting documents

The coordinator must submit a request for payment of the balance within 60 calendar days following the end of the last reporting period.

This request must be accompanied by the following documents:

- (a) a final report on implementation of the *action* ('final technical report'), drawn up in accordance with Annex V, containing:
 - (i) the information needed to justify the eligible costs declared or the contribution requested on the basis of unit costs and lump sums (where the grant takes the form of the reimbursement of unit or lump sum costs or of a unit or lump sum contribution, as provided for in Article I.3.2(a)(ii) and (iii), (b) or (c));
 - (ii) information on subcontracting as referred to in Article II.11.1(d);
- (b) a final financial statement ('final financial statement'). The final financial statement must include a consolidated statement and a breakdown of the amounts claimed by each beneficiary and its affiliated entities.

The final financial statement must be drawn up in accordance with the structure of the estimated budget set out in Annex III and detail the amounts for each of the forms of grant set out in Article I.3.2 for the last reporting period;

(c) a summary financial statement ('summary financial statement').

This statement must include a consolidated financial statement and a breakdown of the amounts declared or requested by each beneficiary and its affiliated entities, aggregating the financial statements already submitted previously and indicating the receipts referred to in Article II.25.3 for each beneficiary and its affiliated entities;

(d) a certificate on the financial statements and underlying accounts ('certificate on the financial statements') for each beneficiary and for each affiliated entity, if:



- (i) the cumulative amount of payments the beneficiary requests as reimbursement of actual costs as referred to in Article I.3.2(a)(i) (and for which no certificate has yet been submitted) is EUR 325 000 or more;
- (ii) the maximum grant amount indicated for that beneficiary and its affiliated entities in the estimated budget as reimbursement of actual costs is EUR 750 000 or more.

This certificate must be produced by an approved auditor or, in the case of public bodies, by a competent and independent public officer and drawn up in accordance with Annex VII.

The certificate must certify that the costs declared in the final financial statement by the beneficiary concerned or its affiliated entities for the categories of costs reimbursed in accordance with Article I.3.2(a)(i) are real, accurately recorded and eligible in accordance with the Agreement.

In addition, the certificate must certify that all the receipts referred to in Article II.25.3 have been declared.

The coordinator must certify that the information provided in the request for payment of the balance is full, reliable and true.

The coordinator must also certify that the costs incurred can be considered eligible in accordance with the Agreement and that the request for payment is substantiated by adequate supporting documents that can be produced in the context of the checks or audits described in Article II.27.

In addition, the coordinator must certify that all the receipts referred to in Article II.25.3 have been declared.

I.4.5 Information on cumulative expenditure incurred

Not applicable.

I.4.6 Currency for requests for payment and financial statements and conversion into euros

Requests for payment and financial statements must be drafted in euros.

Beneficiaries and affiliated entities with general accounts in a currency other than the euro must convert costs incurred in another currency into euros at the average of the daily exchange rates published in the C series of the *Official Journal of the European Union*, determined over the corresponding reporting period (available at http://www.ecb.europa.eu/stats/exchange/eurofxref/html/index.en.html).

If no daily euro exchange rate is published in the *Official Journal of the European Union* for the currency in question, conversion must be made at the average of the monthly accounting rates established by the Commission and published on its website (http://ec.europa.eu/budget/contracts grants/info contracts/inforeuro/inforeuro en.cfm), determined over the corresponding reporting period.





Beneficiaries and affiliated entities with general accounts in euros must convert costs incurred in another currency into euros in accordance with their usual accounting practices.

I.4.7 Language of requests for payments, technical reports and financial statements

All requests for payments, technical reports and financial statements must be submitted in English.

ARTICLE 1.5 — PAYMENTS AND PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

I.5.1 Payments to be made

The Commission must make the following payments to the coordinator:

- a first pre-financing payment;
- a second pre-financing payment, on the basis of the request for the second pre-financing payment referred to in Article I.4.2;
- one payment of the balance, on the basis of the request for payment of the balance referred to in Article I.4.4.

I.5.2 Pre-financing payments

The aim of the pre-financing is to provide the beneficiaries with a float. The pre-financing remains the property of the Union until it is cleared against interim payments or, if it is not cleared against interim payments, until the payment of the balance.

The Commission must make a first pre-financing payment of EUR 1 857 279.94 to the coordinator within 30 calendar days from the entry into force of the Agreement, except if Article II.24.1 applies.

The Commission must make a second pre-financing payment of EUR 1 857 279.94 to the coordinator within 60 calendar days from when the Commission receives the request for second pre-financing payment referred to in Article I.4.2, except if Article II.24.1 or II.24.2 apply.

If the statement on the use of the previous pre-financing instalment submitted in accordance with Article I.4.2 shows that less than 70% of the previous pre-financing instalment paid has been used to cover costs of the *action*, the amount of the new pre-financing to be paid must be reduced by the difference between the 70% ceiling and the amount used.

I.5.3 Interim payments

Not applicable.

I.5.4 Payment of the balance

The payment of the balance reimburses or covers the remaining part of the eligible costs incurred by the beneficiaries for the implementation of the *action*.





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If the total amount of earlier payments is greater than the final amount of the grant determined in accordance with Article II.25, the payment of the balance takes the form of a recovery as provided for by Article II.26.

If the total amount of earlier payments is lower than the final amount of the grant determined in accordance with Article II.25, the Commission must pay the balance within 90 calendar days from when it receives the documents referred to in Article I.4.4, except if Articles II.24.1 or II.24.2 apply.

Payment is subject to the approval of the request for payment of the balance and of the accompanying documents. Their approval does not imply recognition of the compliance, authenticity, completeness or correctness of their content.

The Commission determines the amount due as the balance by deducting the total amount of pre-financing and interim payments (if any) already made from the final amount of the grant determined in accordance with Article II.25.

The amount to be paid may, however, be offset, without the beneficiary's consent, against any other amount owed by the beneficiary to the Commission or to an executive agency (under the EU or Euratom budget), up to the maximum contribution indicated for that beneficiary, in the estimated budget in Annex III.

I.5.5 Notification of amounts due

The Commission must send a *formal notification* to the coordinator:

- (a) informing it of the amount due; and
- (b) specifying whether the notification concerns a further pre-financing payment, an interim payment or the payment of the balance.

For the payment of the balance, the Commission must also specify the final amount of the grant determined in accordance with Article II.25.

I.5.6 Interest on late payment

If the Commission does not pay within the time limits for payment, the beneficiaries are entitled to late-payment interest at the rate applied by the European Central Bank for its main refinancing operations in euros ('the reference rate'), plus three and a half points. The reference rate is the rate in force on the first day of the month in which the time limit for payment expires, as published in the C series of the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Late-payment interest is not due if all beneficiaries are Member States of the Union (including regional and local government authorities and other public bodies acting in the name of and on behalf of the Member State for the purpose of the Agreement).

If the Commission suspends the time limit for payment as provided for in Article II.24.2 or if it suspends an actual payment as provided for in Article II.24.1, these actions may not be considered as cases of late payment.

Late-payment interest covers the period running from the day following the due date for payment, up to and including the date of actual payment as established in Article I.5.8. The





Commission does not consider payable interest when determining the final amount of the grant within the meaning of Article II.25.

As an exception to the first subparagraph, if the calculated interest is lower than or equal to EUR 200, it must be paid to the coordinator only if the coordinator requests it within two months of receiving late payment.

I.5.7 Currency for payments

The Commission must make payments in euros.

I.5.8 Date of payment

Payments by the Commission are considered to have been carried out on the date when they are debited to its account.

I.5.9 Costs of payment transfers

Costs of the payment transfers are borne as follows:

- (a) the Commission bears the costs of transfer charged by its bank;
- (b) the beneficiary bears the costs of transfer charged by its bank;
- (c) the party causing a repetition of a transfer bears all costs of repeated transfers.

I.5.10 Payments to the coordinator

The Commission must make payments to the coordinator.

Payments to the coordinator discharge the Commission from its payment obligation.

ARTICLE I.6 — BANK ACCOUNT FOR PAYMENTS

All payments must be made to the coordinator's bank account as indicated below:

Name of bank: BANCA D'ITALIA

Account name: MIN ECONOMIA FINANZE FONDO ROTAZIONATTUAZIONE

POLITICHE COMUNITARIE

IBAN code: IT07E0100003245350200023211

ARTICLE I.7 — DATA CONTROLLER, COMMUNICATION DETAILS OF THE PARTIES

I.7.1 Data controller

The entity acting as a data controller as provided for in Article II.7 is the Head of Unit of DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion — Employment, Programme Management and Implementation.



I.7.2 Communication details of the Commission

Any communication addressed to the Commission must be sent to the following address:

European Commission DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion CAD - J27 B-1049 Brussels, Belgium Email address: empl-vp-2018-009@ec.europa.eu

I.7.3 Communication details of the beneficiaries

Any communication from the Commission to the beneficiaries must be sent to the following address:

Mr Salvatore PIRRONE, Director

Unit V - EURES NCO

AGENZIA NAZIONALE PER LE POLITICHE ATTIVE DEL LAVORO

VIA FORNOVO N 8

00192 ROMA

ITALY

Email address: direzione.generale@anpal.gov.it

ARTICLE I.8 — ENTITIES AFFILIATED TO THE BENEFICIARIES

The following entities are considered as affiliated entities for the purpose of the Agreement:

- Annal Servizi, affiliated to the coordinator;
- Capitale lavoro, affiliated to CITTA' METROPOLITANA DI ROMA CAPITALE.

ARTICLE 1.9 — ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS ON USE OF THE RESULTS (INCLUDING INTELLECTUAL AND INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY RIGHTS)

In accordance with Article II.9.3, whereby the Union acquires rights to use the results of the *action*, these results may be exploited using any of the following modes:

- (a) distribution to the public in hard copies, in electronic or digital format, on the internet including social networks as a downloadable or non-downloadable file;
- (b) communication through press information services;
- (c) inclusion in widely accessible databases or indexes, such as via 'open access' or 'open data' portals, or similar repositories, whether freely accessible or accessible only upon subscription;
- (d) edit or re-write the results of the *action*, including shortening, summarising, modifying the content, correcting technical errors in the content;



- (e) cut, insert meta-data, legends or other graphics, visual, audio or word elements in the results of the *action*:
- (f) extract a part (e.g. audio or video files) of, divide into parts or compile the results of the *action*;
- (g) prepare derivative works of the results of the action;
- (h) translate, insert subtitles in, dub the results of the *action* in languages used within the EU or languages of candidate countries;
- (i) license or sub-license to third parties, including if there are licensed pre-existing rights, any of the rights or modes of exploitation set out Article II.9.3 of the General Conditions and in the points above.

The beneficiaries must ensure that the Union has the rights of use specified in the General Conditions and in the points above for the whole duration of the industrial or intellectual property rights concerned.

ARTICLE I.10 — OBLIGATION TO CONCLUDE AN INTERNAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT

The beneficiaries must conclude an internal cooperation agreement including provisions on the management, operation and coordination of the beneficiaries and the implementation of the *action*.

ARTICLE I.11 — SPECIAL PROVISIONS ON THE FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR RECOVERIES

The financial responsibility of each beneficiary is limited to its own debt, including any amount unduly paid by the Commission as a contribution towards the costs incurred by its affiliated entities.

Point (c) of the third paragraph of Article II.26.3 does not apply.

ARTICLE 1.12 — SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES WITH NON-EU BENEFICIARIES

Not applicable.

ARTICLE I.13 — BENEFICIARIES WHICH ARE INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

Not applicable.

ARTICLE I.14 — OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Not applicable.



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SIGNATURES

For the coordinator

Salvatore PIRRONE,

Director

Signature

Done at

on M - AZ - JOAS (day

For the Commission

Denis GENTON,

Head of Unit

Signature

Done at Brussels



