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GENERAL BUDGET - 2015

SECTION III - COMMISSION TITLES: 13, 21

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS N° DEC 37/2015

FROM

CHAPTER - 2103 European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI)

ITEM - 21 03 03 01 Cross-border cooperation (CBC) -- Contribution from Heading
4

Commitments	-1 380 115,00
Payments	-88 000,00

TO

CHAPTER - 1303 European Regional Development Fund and other regional operations

ITEM - 13 03 64 03 Participation of European neighbourhood countries in ERDF
ETC -- Contribution from Heading 4 (ENI)

Commitments	1 380 115,00
Payments	88 000,00

I. DECREASE

I.1

a) Heading

21 03 03 01 - Cross-border cooperation (CBC) -- Contribution from Heading 4

b) Figure at 20/10/2015

	Commitments	Payments
1A Appropriation in budget (initial budget + AB)	82 806 886,00	14 447 219,00
1B Appropriation in budget (EFTA)	0,00	0,00
2 Transfers	0,00	0,00
3 Final appropriation for the year (1A+1B+2)	82 806 886,00	14 447 219,00
4 Utilisation of final appropriation	0,00	0,00
5 Amount not used/available (3-4)	82 806 886,00	14 447 219,00
6 Requirements up to year-end	81 426 771,00	14 359 219,00
7 Proposed decrease	1 380 115,00	88 000,00
8 Decrease as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1A)	1,67 %	0,61 %
9 Decrease, as a percentage of the final appropriation for the year, in the sum of transfers referred to in Article 26(1)(b) of the Financial Regulation, calculated in accordance with Article 14 of the Rules of Application	n/a	n/a

c) Receipts arising from recovery (carried over) (C5)

	Commitments	Payments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	0,00	0,00
2 Appropriations available on 20/10/2015	0,00	0,00
3 Rate of utilisation [(1-2)/1]	n/a	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the transfer

With Decision C(2014)7172 of 08/10/2014, the Commission has adopted a programming document for the European Union support to the European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI) Cross-Border Cooperation for the period 2014-2020. In order to be able to commit the 2015 ENI contribution for the European Territorial Cooperation Baltic Sea Region transnational programme and to pay the annual pre-financing, a transfer is necessary from the ENI to the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF).

As the amounts were not yet known at the time when the Draft Budget 2015 was prepared, no appropriations were included on the corresponding ERDF budget line. That is why a budgetary authority transfer between ENI and ERDF lines is needed now in order to cover the commitment and payment needs

The amounts to be transferred are EUR 1 380 115 in commitment appropriations and EUR 88 000 in payment appropriations.

II. INCREASE

II.1

a) Heading

13 03 64 03 - Participation of European neighbourhood countries in ERDF ETC -- Contribution from Heading 4 (ENI)

b) Figure at 20/10/2015

	Commitments	Payments
1A Appropriation in budget (initial budget + AB)	0,00	0,00
1B Appropriation in budget (EFTA)	0,00	0,00
2 Transfers	0,00	0,00
3 Final appropriation for the year (1A+1B+2)	0,00	0,00
4 Utilisation of final appropriation	0,00	0,00
5 Amount not used/available (3-4)	0,00	0,00
6 Requirements up to year-end	1 380 115,00	88 000,00
7 Proposed increase	1 380 115,00	88 000,00
8 Increase as percentage of appropriation in budget (7/1A)	n/a	n/a
9 Increase, as a percentage of the final appropriation for the year, in the sum of transfers referred to in Article 26(1)(b) of the Financial Regulation, calculated in accordance with Article 14 of the Rules of Application	n/a	n/a

c) Receipts arising from recovery (carried over) (C5)

	Commitments	Payments
1 Appropriations available at start of the year	0,00	0,00
2 Appropriations available on 20/10/2015	0,00	0,00
3 Rate of utilisation [(1-2)/1]	n/a	n/a

d) Detailed grounds for the transfer

The appropriations on budget line 13 03 64 03 are intended to cover support from the European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI) under the European Territorial Cooperation goal in the 2014-2020 programming period for the Baltic Sea Cross-Border Cooperation programme. Support under both the ENI and the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) will be used for cross-border cooperation projects involving, on the one hand, Member States and, on the other hand, partner countries and/or the Russian Federation along the external borders of the Union, in order to promote integrated and sustainable regional development and cooperation between neighbouring border areas and harmonious territorial integration across the Union and with neighbouring countries.